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## **Town of Freedom New Hampshire**

For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2013

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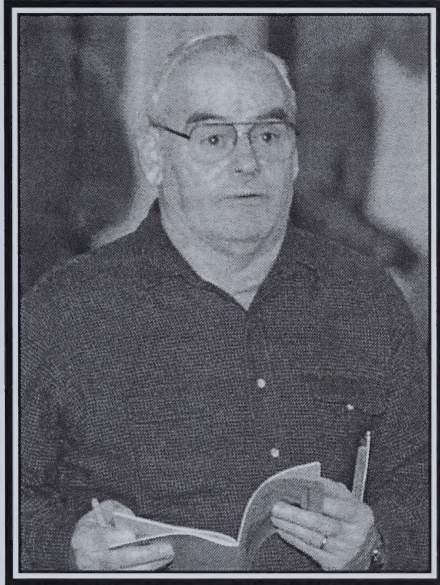
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*This report is dedicated to*

## **Daniel (Bud) Brooks**



2014 marks the 50th year that Bud has served as a Supervisor of the Checklist. At this time we would like to thank Bud for his dedicated service. Not only was Bud a school bus driver for many many years, he served on the School Board for 6 years. He was also the Town's auditor for 15 years. As there are many other ways he served these are the highlights of his service to the Town of Freedom.



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# TOWN OFFICERS & BOARD MEMBERS

*Moderator:* Donald G. Johnson, 2014

## *Selectmen*

Leslie Babb, 2014  
Neal Boyle, 2015  
Ernest Day, Jr 2016

## *Town Administrator*

Karen Hatch

## *Administrative Assistant*

Linda Farinella

## *Road Agent*

Scott Brooks, 2016

## *Police Chief*

Josh Shackford

## *Fire Chief/FF Warden*

Justin Brooks

## *Emergency Management Director*

Les Babb

## *Safety Officer*

Kelly McClare

## *Animal Control*

JoAnne Gayer

## *Health Officer*

Frank Evitts

## *Town Clerk*

A. Elizabeth Priebe, 2016

## *Treasurer*

Pamela Clemens-Keith, 2016

## *Tax Collector*

Annette Babb, 2014  
Connor Babb, Deputy

## *Supervisors of the Checklist*

Patricia McCoy, 2014  
Daniel Brooks, 2016  
Carol Stansell, 2018

## *Cemetery Trustees*

Dean Robertson, 2014  
Dorothy Brooks, 2015  
Janice Zecher, 2016

## *Trustee of Trust Funds*

Eric Bossidy, 2014  
Patricia McCoy, 2015  
Kimberly Reis, 2016

## *Transfer Station Manager*

Justin Brooks

## *Town Buildings Custodian*

Mark McKinley



***Zoning Officer***

Ned Hatfield

***Building Inspector***

Robert Babine

***Conservation Commission***

Robert Oram, 2014  
Alice Custard, 2014  
Jim McElroy, 2014  
Robert Hatch, 2016  
Gregory Bossart, 2015  
William Elliott, 2015  
Michael Gaudette, 2016  
Susan Hoople, Alt 2014  
John Roman, Alt 2016

***Town Forest Advisory Committee***

David Charrette, 2014  
Janet Meyers, 2014  
Janet Johnson, 2014  
Chuck Depew, 2015  
Robert Hatch, 2016  
Ron Newbury, 2016  
Ernest Day, Jr., Sel. Rep.

***Planning Board***

Anne Cunningham, 2016  
Beth Earle, 2014  
Jean Marshall, 2014  
Janet Meyers, 2015  
Peter Park, 2015  
Maynard Thomson, 2016  
William Elliott, Alt 2015  
Peter Schiller, Alt 2014  
Pamela Clemons-Keith, Alt 2016  
Les Babb, Sel. Rep.

***Zoning Board of Adjustment***

Scott Lees, 2014  
Craig Niiler, 2015  
Timothy Cupka, 2015  
Karl Ogren, 2016  
Jacob Stephan, 2016  
Paul Wheeler, Alt 2014  
John Quigley, Alt 2015  
Todd Desmarais, Alt 2016  
Dennis Anderson, Alt 2016

***Library Trustees***

Thomas Luke, 2014  
Laura Robinson, 2015  
Wendell Packard, Jr. 2016  
Ann Pierce, Alt 2014

***Heritage Commission***

Peg Scully, 2014  
Robert Smart, 2014  
Bonnie Burroughs, 2015  
Alan Fall, 2015  
Carol Foord, 2015  
Gale Morris, 2016  
Scott Cunningham, 2016  
Raymond Dahlstrom, Alt 2015  
Jean Marshall, Alt 2016  
Neal Boyle, Sel. Rep

# RULES OF PROCEDURE

According to RSA 40, the town Moderator determines the procedures to be used in Town Meetings. The Moderator determines the rules without regard to parliamentary or other procedural rules. The voters can overturn the Moderator's rules at any time, however. A motion to overturn the Moderator's rules, or establish new rules, will always take precedence to other business which is already "on the floor".

So that you will know the ground rules by which we are maintaining order, these procedural rules are announced to you ahead of time.

- The Moderator will read each article in its entirety before that article is considered.
- There can be no discussion until there has been a motion under the article. (usually the first motion is to approve the article as it appears on the warrant)
- All motions must be seconded by a different individual.
- Discussion will only take place after a motion has been moved and seconded.
- All discussion must take place only when called upon by the Moderator. You must have permission from the Moderator before you can speak.
- When the Moderator recognizes you, standup, speak out loudly and announce your name before proceeding with your comments.
- If you want to change a portion of a motion, you can do so by making an amendment. We will consider only one move to amend at any given time. When discussion regarding an amendment comes to a conclusion, the amendment will be voted upon. If the amendment passes we will then continue considering the original motion as it has now been amended. If the amendment fails, we will return to considering the motion in its form prior to the motion to amend.
- A secret written ballot will be used on any article when requested by any 5 voters in writing (RSA 40:4-a).
- A vote will be re-tabulated by secret written ballot when requested in writing or orally by only 7 voters (RSA 40:40b). This action must be requested before we have already moved onto the next item of business.

One final word of advice from your Moderator: If you want to get action from the Town Meeting, you have to make a motion. It's okay to get up and ask a question or make a comment (as long as it's relevant to what's on the table), but if you want the Town Meeting to discuss and vote on your idea, you have to get it on the table with a motion. Let's work together to have a successful and efficient meeting.

Thank you,  
Donald Johnson, Moderator

**TOWN OF FREEDOM, N.H.**  
**TOWN MEETING - MARCH 12, 2013**  
**WARRANT - MINUTES**

Town meeting and the election of officers for the town and school district were both held on Tuesday, March 12, 2013, at the Freedom Town Hall, commencing at 9:00a.m.

The Moderator, Donald Johnson, opened the polls in the downstairs of the town hall at 9:00 a.m. and then proceeded upstairs to open the deliberative portion of town meeting.

Mr. Johnson welcomed attendees and reviewed the Rules of Procedure, shown on Page 3 of this year's town report. Mr. Johnson also explained the use of the voting cards that had been provided as registered voters entered the hall and were checked in by the Supervisors of the Checklist.

Mr. Johnson introduced all of the election officials, starting with himself, Libby Priebe, Town Clerk, John Ratigan, Town Counsel, Board of Selectmen: Scott Cunningham, Les Babb and Neal Boyle. The Moderator noted that Rochelle Brooks was sitting on the side of the hall to assist with written ballots, if necessary. Mr. Johnson noted that the polls downstairs were opened at 9am and would remain open until 7pm, noting the following election workers there: Alice N. Haslett - celebrating her 44th consecutive year as a ballot clerk and offering congratulations; Beth Earle, Chuck Brooks as the Assistant Moderator, Pete Schiller, Anne Babb, Sue Brown, Deputy Town Clerk, and Carol Stansell and Bud Brooks, Supervisors of the Checklist. [Pat McCoy and Maggie Buzzell were handling the Supervisor/Checklist duties upstairs.]

Mr. Johnson asked if there were any questions regarding procedures and seeing none, opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Mr. Johnson noted that at the School District Meeting held the night before, the amount of \$3,700,917.00 had been raised and appropriated.

Mr. Johnson proceeded to read the Warrant into the minutes:

To the inhabitants of the Town of Freedom in the County of Carroll in said state, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified that the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Freedom will be held at the Freedom Town Hall on Tuesday the 12th day of March 2013 at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects.

There will be voting by Official Ballot for the election of Town Officers and for adoption of Zoning Amendments. The polls open at 9:00am and close at 7:00pm unless there is a vote to keep the polls open to a later hour. The ballots will be counted after the polls close at 7:00pm.



All other articles will be presented, discussed and acted upon beginning at 9:00am at the Freedom Town Hall.

**PLEASE NOTE:** for the purposes of these minutes: (a) there were a total of 509 ballots cast for this election, with 1130 voters on the checklist at the beginning of the day, 12 new voters registering during the day, totaling 1142 at day's end, for a 44% +/- voter turn-out; (b) the election results are included herein and (c) a write-in candidate must have received a minimum of five (5) votes to be included or have been declared the winner with less than five (5) votes:

**Article 1: (To vote by Official Ballot)**

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

**TOWN OFFICES:**

**Selectman**, Three Years (vote for one):

Ernest F. Day, Jr.	432 votes
Ernest F. Day, Jr., declared the winner.	

**Town Clerk**, Three Years (vote for one):

A. Elizabeth Priebe	470 votes
A. Elizabeth Priebe declared the winner.	

**Road Agent**, Three Years (vote for one):

Scott N. Brooks, Sr.	335 votes
Joshua N. Battles	167 votes
Scott N. Brooks, Sr., declared the winner.	

**Treasurer**, Three Years (vote for one):

Pamela J. Clemons-Keith	443 votes
Pamela J. Clemons-Keith declared the winner.	

**Trustee of the Trust Funds**, Three Years (vote for one)

Write-in: Kimberly Reis	33 votes
Kimberly Reis declared the winner.	

**Cemetery Trustee**, Three Years (vote for one)

Write-in: George Boewe, Jr.	3 votes
George Boewe, Jr., declared the winner.	

**Planning Board Members**, Three Years (vote for two)

Maynard F. Thomson	370 votes
Anne B. Cunningham	381 votes

Maynard F. Thomson and Anne B. Cunningham were declared the winners.

**Library Trustee**, Three Years (vote for one)

Wendell H. Packard, Jr.	438 votes
Wendell H. Packard, Jr., was declared the winner.	

**SCHOOL OFFICES:**

<b>School District Moderator, One Year (vote for one)</b>		
Donald G. Johnson	455 votes	
Donald G. Johnson was declared the winner.		
<b>School District Treasurer, Three Years (vote for one)</b>		
Holly S. Brooks	447 votes	
Holly S. Brooks was declared the winner.		
<b>School Board Members, Three Years (vote for three)</b>		
Gail Bizer	361 votes	
Michael Douglass	390 votes	
Lisa M. Lee	364 votes	
Gail Bizer, Michael Douglass and Lisa M. Lee were declared the winners.		
<b>School District Auditor, One Year (vote for one)</b>		
Michael D. L. Gaudette	415 votes	
Michael D. L. Gaudette was declared the winner.		
<b>School District Clerk, One Year (vote for one)</b>		
Write-in: Dianne Park	7 votes	
Dianne Park declared the winner.		

**Article 2:** (To vote by Official Ballot):  
Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: to amend the Permitted Uses Tables and Special Exceptions Uses Tables found in Articles 3 Sections 304.1 "Village Residential District," 304.2 "General Residential District," 304.3 "Rural Residential District," and 304.4 "Residential/Light Commercial District" to make "Minor Home Occupations" a Permitted Use and add the word "Major" to the "Home occupation" Special Exception Use?

Mr. Johnson noted that this Article, and the following two, were being voted on at the polls downstairs, but did ask if there was any discussion.

No discussion.

<b>YES 279</b>	<b>NO 185</b>	<b>Article 2 carries.</b>
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**Article 3:** (To vote by Official Ballot):  
Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: to amend the District Boundary definition of the Residential/Light Commercial District found in Appendix A of the Town zoning ordinance to include the length of Route 153 from the Town line at Effingham Falls north to the border of Madison, NH?

Discussion .



**YES 233**

**NO 251**

**Article 3 fails.**

**Article 4:** (To Vote by Official Ballot):

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: to amend the definition of "Retail Store" found in Article 18 Section 1802 of the Town zoning ordinance by deleting the words "Allowed by Special Exception as a Light Commercial Use" to bring the definition into compliance with the Permitted Use Table pertaining to the Residential/Light Commercial District?

No discussion.

**YES 283**

**NO 184**

**Article 4 carries.**

The Moderator proceeded to Article 5, first reading the initial part of Article 5 into the record, then stating that he would read only the totals for the subsections first, get the Article on the floor, and then proceed to discuss the Article one subsection at a time:

**Article 5:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,234,572.00 for General Government for (FY 2013) as follows:

The Moderator read each sub-section total into the record as follows:

General Government	\$ 450,804.00
Public Safety	573,349.00
Highways and Streets	751,207.00
Sanitation	196,870.00
Health	14,601.00
Welfare	8,600.00
Culture and Recreation	79,115.00
Conservation	12,300.00
Debt Service	<u>147,726.00</u>
TOTAL ARTICLE 5:	\$ 2,234,572.00

**MOTION:** Neal Boyle.

**SECONDED:** Cubby (Justin) Brooks

Selectman Babb spoke to the article, noting the selectmen had tried very hard to keep the budget down, the town's insurance had been re-done for the employees, and pointed out that every column is down with the exception of sanitation. Mr. Babb gave compliments to Cubby for the running of the transfer station, but explained that the hauling costs have increased, making the sanitation budget go up.

The Moderator proceeded with the discussion of the General Government section in the total amount of \$450,804.00.

Discussion.

Public Safety - \$573,349.00.

Jane Davidson asked about the changes in the Fire Department budget, noting that the line for part-time station duty is new.

The question was referred to Fire Chief Cubby Brooks: Cubby noted that when Chief Doe resigned, the balance of that money was used to have two people man the fire station - the shifts are broken up - Monday through Friday, 7am to 3:30pm, to fulfill the obligation of having help on hand if needed for fire and/or rescue purposes.

Highways and Streets - \$751,207. No discussion.

Sanitation - \$196,870. No discussion.

Health - \$14,601. No discussion.

Welfare - \$8,600. No discussion.

Culture and Recreation - \$79,115. No discussion.

Conservation - \$12,300. No discussion.

Debt Service - \$147,726. No discussion.

No further discussion on Article 5.

The Moderator read the sub-totals again.

Vote on Article 5 - to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,234,572.00 for General Government for (FY 2013).

**VOTE ON ARTICLE 5: YES, Article 5 carries.**

**Article 6 :**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$279,000.00 to purchase a highway grader. This sum to come from fund balance (surplus) and no amount to be raised from taxation.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

**MOTION: Les Babb**

**SECONDED: Cubby Brooks**

Selectman Babb explained that the 1997 Galleon grader broke down and the part to fix it was found, with difficulty, but there was no guaranty parts could be found for future repairs. The Board of Selectmen made the decision to proceed to replace the grader while it was running and still had trade-in value. The Road Agent and the Board of Selectmen looked for other options and contacted a Caterpillar dealer who took the old grader in trade for \$40,000.00, with the market value being \$29,000.00 at that time. The Department of Revenue would have allowed the purchase after a public hearing, without coming to Town Meeting, but the Board of Selectmen were not comfortable with that and decided to enter into a lease/purchase agreement until it could be brought to town meeting for voter approval. Research was done, other towns, such as Alton and Madison, own these graders, and it was found that the Caterpillar parts were the most readily available and fit the town's 30-year replacement plan the best.

Pat McCoy asked how much money was in the town's fund balance.

Selectman Babb responded approximately \$1.2 million, noting that 11 years ago there had only been \$260,000, the Selectmen have been working to build the fund balance up, which in turn decreases the interest rate when borrowing money. State recommends between 5 and 17%. Still dealing with an aging building on the hill.

Discussion.

Wendell Brooks made a MOTION TO MOVE THE QUESTION.

The Moderator noted that a motion to move the question does not require a second, but does require a 2/3 majority.

Vote on the motion to move the question: Yes, the motion passes.

**VOTE ON ARTICLE 6: YES - Article 6 carries.**

### **Article 7:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$28,020.00 for this year's contract with R.B. Wood & Associates, LLC to complete the necessary new construction assessing for the year and all other assessing duties required for the year.

**MOTION:** Scott Cunningham

**SECONDED:** Cubby Brooks

Selectman Cunningham noted this is a continuation of our existing contract, having four more years to go, with two other towns participating, which enables us to get the lowest price.

No discussion.

**VOTE ON ARTICLE 7: YES - Article 7 carries.**

### **Article 8:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$49,636.00 to purchase and equip a new 4 wheel drive cruiser for the Police Department; to be paid for by withdrawal of \$5,000.00 from the Police Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund and to raise the balance by taxes.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

**MOTION:** Les Babb

**SECONDED:** Cubby Brooks

Selectman Babb noted that the town has a 6-year rotation plan for the cruisers. This vehicle will replace the 2006 Ford Crown Vic, which are not made any more. This is our third 4-wheel drive vehicle. He noted that these vehicles are more expensive to purchase, but the trade-in value is higher, and these vehicles are more suited for our purposes.

Discussion.

Jack Leader asked for clarification of the wording: "raise the sum of", when some of the funds are being taken from existing capital reserve accounts? Technicality?

Town Counsel, John Ratigan, explained that the Municipal Finance Act requires the language "raise and appropriate" to be the full amount to be spent.

Discussion.

**VOTE ON ARTICLE 8: YES - Article 8 carries.**

### **Article 9:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$173,000.00 to purchase and equip a new 4x4 dump truck for the Highway Department; to be paid for by withdrawal of \$60,000.00 from the Highway Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund and to raise the balance by taxes.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 2-1-0

**MOTION:** Scott Cunningham

**SECONDED:** Cubby Brooks

Selectman Cunningham spoke to the question - noting this is an on cycle replacement of this truck. The current truck could be kept, repaired and in operation, but the trade-in value would decrease. Adding additional money to the capital reserve fund had been discussed, and replacing the truck later. Scott Brooks initiated this year a Highway Advisory Committee to review this purchase and others. The Advisory Committee came to the conclusion it would be better to move ahead this year with the purchase, as it became a question of whether it was less expensive to buy now or put it off for another year, as it wouldn't make much difference on the money spent, but there is some risk that the truck won't last another year without more repairs.

Lisa Lee noted that the Selectmen had voted 2-1-0 and asked which Selectman had made the 'no' vote and for what reason.

Selectman Babb said he was the no vote, as he felt it would not be appropriate to purchase two large pieces of equipment in the same year.

Lisa Lee asked that the Road Agent, Scott Brooks, speak to the question.

Mr. Brooks explained that there had been \$12,000 in repairs last year, a little over \$17,000 the previous year, and \$13,000 the year before that to the current truck. The truck is a 1993 purchased for a ten year life cycle. This truck replaced the loader used for 29 years to plow the mountains. The maintenance and the money spent the last three years reflects the aging of the truck. This is the truck the town depends on the most. The town only fills in with rental equipment when the town equipment is broke down or if needed for a storm. Routine checking and sanding are always done with the town equipment. The current mileage on the



truck is 90,086 and the total hours are 9086. The total hours used are more relevant than the mileage. This truck seldom breaks 55 mph, is mostly at 15-20 mph. 3600 hours on a truck is equal to 100,000 miles. The truck being replaced currently has 90,000 miles, which is equal to 270,000 miles.

Discussion.

Wendell Brooks made a MOTION TO MOVE the question.

The Moderator called for a show of cards regarding the moving of the question, stating there was a 2/3 majority. The question has been moved.

**VOTE on Article 9 required a counted division of the house:  
Yes 61, No 40 - Article 9 carries.**

James Brown protested the moving of the question, as he had his hand up. Jack Leader stated that it was now a moot point, but he had also had his hand up. The Moderator stated that moving the question stops all debate. The assembly voted by a 2/3 majority to suspend discussion and go forward with the voting on the article.

Discussion.

**Article 10:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$68,000.00 to repave on Town Roads.

**MOTION:** Neal Boyle.

**SECONDED:** Cubby Brooks

Neal turned the question over to the Road Agent, Scott Brooks.

Mr. Brooks explained that this was an annual maintenance item, as well as the two articles to follow. One of the sections to be paved is in Ossipee Lake Village, built in the late 70's, early 80's, and the road has lost its profile and the profile needs to be built back up to hold the road.

**VOTE ON ARTICLE 10: YES - Article 10 carries.**

**Article 11:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$42,000.00 to sealcoat on Town Roads.

**MOTION:** Neal Boyle

**SECONDED:** Scott Brooks

Mr. Brooks explained this was for annual maintenance. Studies have shown that surface maintenance should be done every 7 years. If not, after 21 years, becomes a total re-construction, as can be seen with the East Freedom Road and the Village Road, due to cracking, freezing and the road base being eroded.

**VOTE ON ARTICLE 11: YES - Article 11 carries.**



**Article 12:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,000.00 for road crack sealing on Town Roads.

**MOTION:** Neal Boyle.

**SECONDED:** Cubby Brooks.

Selectman Boyle said this was pretty straight forward - just sealing the cracks in town roads to keep them from deteriorating.

No discussion.

**VOTE ON ARTICLE 12: YES - Article 12 carries.**

**Article 13:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,800.00 for the crushing of gravel for the use on Town Roads.

**MOTION:** Les Babb

**SECONDED:** George Buzzell

Les Babb made a statement about Article 9, the Moderator brought the discussion to the current Article 13.

Regarding Article 13, Mr. Babb said the gravel had been done for many years and been very successful.

James Brown asked how much gravel - yards - is currently in stock and how much gravel will this amount of money add.

Road Agent Brooks said there is approximately  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch crushed asphalt, saved from the Rice Hill Road reconstruction, 800 cubic yards,  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch stone, 36 cubic yards, 4 inch minus crushed gravel - which the \$18,800 will be used to add to - will be an additional 427 cubic yards. Process to make gravel is \$6 per cubic yard.

Mr. Brown asked if the gravel had been tested to meet State standards.

Mr. Brooks said yes - it has been tested.

No further discussion.

**VOTE ON ARTICLE 13: YES - Article 13 carries.**

**Article 14:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for a licensed forester to oversee the administration of forestry activities in the Town Forest for the ensuing year with said funds to be withdrawn from the Town Forest Maintenance Fund.

**MOTION:** Scott Cunningham

**SECONDED:** Mike Gaudette

Mr. Cunningham stated this is an ongoing program to manage the town forest and that money does exist for this purpose, but a vote is required to release the funds.

Jack Leader asked if the Town has a forester and if so, who is it?

Mr. Cunningham said that the town does have a forester. The forester is Barry Keith.

No further discussion.

**VOTE ON ARTICLE 14: YES - Article 14 carries.**

**Article 15:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for maintenance activities in the Town Forest for the ensuing year with said funds to be withdrawn from the Town Forest Maintenance Fund.

**MOTION:** Scott Cunningham

**SECONDED:** Bill Elliott

Mr. Cunningham said this article is along the same principle as above.

No discussion.

**VOTE ON ARTICLE 15: YES - Article 15 carries.**

**Article 16:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,000.00 to repair and paint the newer tennis court.

**MOTION:** Neal Boyle

**SECONDED:** Mike Gaudette

Selectman Boyle said this would be for the newer of the two tennis courts, which is beginning to show wear.

Discussion.

Selectman Babb said that the older of the two courts had been declared unrepairable seven years ago, which lead to the building of the new court.

No further discussion.

**VOTE ON ARTICLE 16: YES - Article 16 carries.**

**Article 17:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 for the repair of the Antique Seagraves Fire Engine.

**MOTION:** Scott Cunningham

**SECONDED:** Cubby Brooks

Selectman Cunningham spoke on behalf of the Article, noting that this fire

truck is not in fire department service. It is used by the fire department and maintained by the fire department. It is used for parades, rubber ducky day etc. The fire truck needs new tires, brakes and seat belts.

John Hogan spoke in favor of the article, noting the fire truck sees a great deal of use in the town and should be preserved.

Pat McCoy asked why the funds were not being taken from the ongoing trust fund for the fire department.

Selectman Babb explained that the fund is for fire equipment that is being used for fire service and that the Seagraves is a novelty and not needed, but if the town wants the truck to be used the funds need to be approved to be expended.

Pat McCoy noted that there is \$33,000 in the trust fund and it does not say old antique fire truck or new fire truck.

Selectman Babb explained that the money in the trust fund is needed for the operating fire trucks, in the event repairs are needed.

**VOTE ON ARTICLE 17 - YES, Article 17 carries.**

### **Article 18:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,500.00 to complete the proper installation of the fire suppression cistern located at Kidder Drive.

**MOTION:** Les Babb

**SECONDED:** Scott Cunningham

Selectman Babb stated there had not been enough money to do this job last year. The Selectmen met with the lot owners and it was decided to maintain the cistern, although with the new tank truck and the equipment we have, it may or may not necessarily keep a house from burning down, but with the cistern in use, it may well keep the fire out of the woods, that any additional water would be helpful.

No discussion.

**VOTE ON ARTICLE 18: YES - Article 18 carries.**

### **Article 19:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,000.00 to be added to the Municipal Land and Building Fund of the Town previously established.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

**MOTION:** Les Babb

**SECONDED:** Scott Cunningham

Selectman Babb stated this fund had been created years ago for building

needs. Once the fire and police problem had been addressed, the town office is next. Currently this fund has \$31,201.00. He noted there have been many studies done; there is a need to create a committee to review all the work that has been done - whether to re-do the existing building or replace - to move forward.

Discussion.

Pam Keith asked the Selectmen to explain the difference between the Municipal Land and Building Fund and the Town Hall and Office Capital Reserve Fund.

Mr. Babb stated that the Municipal Land and Building Fund was established to look into the improvement, replacement need for the building. The other fund is for when, as we're sitting here in a building from the 1800's, you go in one day and flip the switch and there is no electricity and the electrical system has to be replaced. This is a safety fund in case something happens to the current buildings.

**VOTE ON ARTICLE 19: YES - Article 19 carries.**

**Article 20:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000.00 to be added to the Highway Department Capital Reserve Fund of the Town previously established.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

**MOTION:** Neal Boyle

**SECONDED:** Cubby Brooks

Selectman Boyle spoke to the question, stating this article was part of an ongoing effort to keep the roads and streets in good shape.

Discussion.

John Hogan made a MOTION TO MOVE THE QUESTION.

The vote on the motion to move the question carries.

**VOTE ON ARTICLE 20 - YES, Article 20 carries.**

**Article 21:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 to be added to the Town Hall and Office Capital Reserve Fund of the Town previously established.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

**MOTION:** Les Babb

**SECONDED:** Cubby Brooks

Selectman Babb stated, as previously explained, the town needs this money to have on hand.

No further discussion.

**VOTE ON ARTICLE 21: YES - Article 21 carries.**

## **Article 22:**

To see if the Town will vote to create a Capital Reserve Fund in accordance with NH RSA 35:1 to be known as the Ballot Counting Machine Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of purchasing a Ballot Counting Machine in the future and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 to place into said Fund, and further, as authorized by RSA 35:15, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from this fund.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

**MOTION:** Les Babb

**SECONDED:** George Buzzell

Selectman Babb said that a resident had come forward to the Selectmen with the information regarding the ballot counting machine and the Selectmen felt it would be appropriate to include in the Warrant to have in place for the next presidential election.

Pat McCoy MADE A MOTION TO TABLE this article;  
SECONDED by John Hogan.

Discussion on the Motion to Table.

Lisa Lee asked Pat McCoy why she wanted to table the question.

Pat McCoy stated that she didn't feel all the questions had been answered regarding the machine and not enough information provided, and noted that it seemed odd for just one person to come forward and to have the Selectmen go forward after limited research.

Vote on the motion to table: NO - the motion to table the article fails.

Discussion continued on Article 22.

Patty Safallo asked about the RSA reference - RSA 35:1, and did that mean the State was requiring the machine?

Town Counsel, John Ratigan, explained that RSA 35-1 is the statute used to establish capital reserve funds only.

Discussion.

John Krebs spoke against the article, stating he had counted for years and always looked forward to it, seems to be a tradition in Freedom to count by hand.

James Brown spoke for the article, stating he had been the one to bring it to the Selectmen, saying the town needs to get into the 21st century, and told of the unfortunate counting error made in the past when he had been running for office.



Moderator Johnson said that it had been a counting error and he had egg on his face, noting that since that time, the counting procedure has changed. The changes made minimize the chance of something like that happening again. We also now bring in reinforcements, so that the people who have been working all day have help and fresh faces.

Charlie Bojus noted that humans are fallible, but that machines can be a really big problem. Likes the idea of people taking care of themselves and not letting the machines do it.

Maynard Thomson noted that appropriated money has a way of being spent and thought it would make more sense to wait for additional information, rather than setting money aside now.

Jane Davidson recommended voting the Article down this year and putting it back in again at a later date.

Pat McCoy noted that the Town of Madison that has a voting machine has 1700 voters on the checklist, whereas Freedom has 1100.

No further discussion.

**VOTE ON ARTICLE 22: NO - Article 22 fails.**

### **Article 23:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 to be added to the Library Expendable Trust Fund of the Town previously established. Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

**MOTION:** Neal Boyle

**SECONDED:** Laura Robinson

Selectman Boyle asked that Laura Robinson, as a Library Trustee, speak to the question.

Ms. Robinson stated the money would be placed in the capital reserve fund to be used to replace the aging air conditioning system in the next one to five years.

John Hogan spoke in favor of the article, noting the town has a fantastic library with books for the community and serves as a cultural center with activities for adults and young children.

No further discussion.

**VOTE ON ARTICLE 23: YES - Article 23 carries.**

### **Article 24: (By Petition)**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for a contribution to the Freedom Food Pantry to assist in their efforts.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

**MOTION:** Judy Blake

**SECONDED:** Cubby Brooks

Judy Blake asked that Doris Sirois, current director of the Food Pantry, speak to the Article.

Doris introduced herself, saying she is trying to bring the pantry into line with the other food pantries in the area, which receive funding from the communities that they serve. The Freedom Food Pantry, for the 20 years it has been in existence, has survived solely on donations. That is no longer economically feasible. Client population has increased, as well as food prices.

Discussion.

John Hogan made a MOTION TO MOVE THE QUESTION.

Vote on motion to move the question: Yes, the motion to move the question carries.

**VOTE ON ARTICLE 24: YES - Article 24 carries.**

### **Article 25:**

To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Les Babb MADE A MOTION TO RE-CONSIDER ARTICLE 9,  
SECONDED by Bill Elliott.

The Moderator called for a division of the house regarding the motion to reconsider. Town Counsel brought to the Moderator's attention that the motion had been made and seconded; the Moderator allowed the discussion to proceed.

Selectman Babb stated that Article 9, as voted on, does not replace the existing truck and he recommended changing the wording of the article. The way the article is written to purchase a new '4 x 4 dump truck' - he would like to either remove the '4 x 4' or change it to an 'all wheel drive' truck, so that we can actually purchase what it is you are looking for.

The Road Agent, Scott Brooks, spoke to the question - stating he had been to the Selectmen and brought to the Selectmen his concern about the wording of the articles for the grader and the truck: that the items were not clearly spelled out, and that he had been told by the Selectmen that they were confident it would be fine - that was only two weeks ago - and that he was quite surprised to hear Selectman Babb's statement.

Nadine Chapman asked what is the difference between the two types of vehicles and why is it an issue we should discuss further?

Les Babb - because the legal definition of a 4 x 4 is a truck that has 4 wheels and drives on 4 wheels.

Nadine Chapman: rephrased her question - why should the Town of Freedom have Truck A vs Truck B - the 4 x 4 vs the all wheel:

Les Babb - you need to either specify a 6 x 6 or an all wheel drive, so you can have a truck with the capability of carrying a sander.

Nadine Chapman: why are we purchasing a truck that is different than what we have now, that we're replacing - and if it is different, is it going to do the job that we need?

Les Babb - it is the intention to replace the truck with a similar truck that will do the same job. There was a question about the wording of the article, and the question was moved before he had a chance to amend the article.

Jim Brown asked the Selectmen - spent over ½ million on new equipment for the highway department and the police department, no word of 'bidding. Is this truck going to be put out to bid? This and all future purchases should be put out to bid.

Maynard Thomson - had a question for the town counsel - is wording on Article passed such that town would be legally barred from buying the truck that Scott and the Selectmen thought the town would be buying?

Attorney John Ratigan noted it appeared that where the Article stated the town would be purchasing a 4-wheel drive dump truck and he recommended amending the article.

Pat Safallo: If we vote yes on amendment, will that mean that we will get a different kind of a truck than was originally planned for when this article was submitted, so it's just a matter of wording?

Les Babb - feels the article needs to say 6 x 6 or all wheel - needs correct wording to make it clear.

Scott Brooks - presented a bid from CB Kenworth that sells these trucks - and asked the Moderator to read what it says at the bottom:

Moderator: it says a 7500 4 x 4 is now \$107,412.

Scott Brooks noted that is the chassis. 7500 is the model. It says 4 x 4. Whether the town counsel wants to review this or not, the truck dealers consider that truck - the last all wheel or 4 wheel drive dump truck that's going to be replaced - a 4 x 4. Not a smaller 550 Ford type truck. The larger truck with the plow and wing they call a 4 x 4.

Scott Brooks, Jr. - to Scott Brooks, Sr: is the truck that you want the same one you're getting?

Scott Brooks, Sr: Yes - the truck that I got the pricing on is exactly the same specifications and exactly the same truck only ten years newer than we have now.

Nancy Seabury - I am still confused - if we leave it the way it is and not re-vote - will we get the truck Scott wants?

Scott Brooks: The pricing and the money in Article 9 represent the same specifications, the same exact truck, make and model as the truck that we now own. And that is what you voted for in Article 9.

John Krebs to Attorney Ratigan - you have reviewed the bid document - or spec sheet - do we need to amend the article, or are we doing something we don't need to do?

John Ratigan was handed the spec sheet by the road agent for the proposed new truck, asked for a received a moment to review same. Stating that after looking at the spec sheet - which runs 6 pages - it does describe the vehicle as a 2013 7500 SFA 4 x 4 Model profile. At the end of the day, the Selectmen are going to approve the purchase of the truck - if the meeting authorizes it.

Mr. Ratigan asked the Selectmen - "do you understand that is this the truck that both you and the road agent discussed - to put out to bid?" All three Selectmen agreed it was the truck. Mr. Ratigan said then the question is, do you want any more flexibility, in case you get the bid back, that you get responses that might not be satisfactory. From my point of view, I think it is pretty clear that you want to buy a truck to replace the needs, but why would you lock yourselves into a definition that doesn't give maybe the Road Agent the flexibility or the Board of Selectmen the flexibility they need if the bids come back and it is not exactly what you want. That is a question for you to answer. If I were writing the article, I'd just say to replace a dump truck. I think it is pretty clear that the meeting wants to replace the vehicle, I think the Selectmen are supporting replacing the vehicle. And the more definition you give to this, the less flexibility they have to deal with whatever the bids are going to come in with. My recommendation would be to delete 4 x 4, leave it at that, the clerk has all this in the record, and I think you are assured you are going to get a dump truck next year to meet the requirements of the town.

Discussion.

**Vote on Motion to Reconsider - decided by a division of the house: 43 Yes, 49 No. The Motion to Reconsider Article 9 fails. Article 9 stands as originally voted.**

The Moderator continued with Article 25 - to discuss any business that may legally come before us.

John Krebs - lot of discussion today regarding capital planning. The Planning Board has the statutory authority to development a capital improvement program. He noted the Highway Department has their work done, and maybe other departments are scheduled to, but it certainly makes sense to assemble a capital improvement plan so that these questions don't keep coming up at town meeting and we know when these major expenditures are going to occur.



Charlie Bojus inquired as to the large amount paid to Desmarais and Associates under the vendor's list on page 66 of the town report. Selectman Babb explained that was for the building of the Public Safety Building.

Les Babb - wanted to recognize a two people. He has a Certificate for JP McVitty, as noted in the town report book - JP is recognized for his 45 years of service to the town as a member of the Freedom Fire Department.

The Moderator said let the record show a unanimous recognition for JP McVitty and his years of service.

Mr. Babb also thanked Scott Cunningham for his service on the Board of Selectmen.

The Moderator said let the record show enthusiastic affirmation of Scott Cunningham's service.

Scott Cunningham thanked the meeting, said it was a lot of fun and had been a learning experience, and that it was an awful lot of work. Two parts to what the Selectmen do - one is handle the transactions that come in and many of those need homework, and the whole other piece which is to study on-going issues to be resolved in the near or distant future. Takes a lot more work and a lot more research - takes a lot of time.

Scott Cunningham wanted to point out that the Historical Society and a small group of concerned citizens had returned to the Town Hall one of the original town hall benches, and it meant to stay at the Town Hall permanently.

The Moderator announced to the meeting that today we had raised and appropriated the total sum of \$2,995,028.00.

Anne Cunningham wished our moderator a Happy Birthday - joined in by all present.

Anne Cunningham made a MOTION TO ADJOURN;

Agreed to by all.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

A true record, attest:

Respectfully submitted:

/s/ A. ELIZABETH PRIEBE  
A. ELIZABETH PRIEBE,  
TOWN CLERK



# WARRANT

The polls will be open from 8:00am to 7:00pm  
Town Meeting article presentation to commence at 9:00am

To the inhabitants of the Town of Freedom in the County of Carroll in said state, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified that the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Freedom will be held at the Freedom Town Hall on Tuesday the 11th day of March 2014 at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects.

There will be voting by Official Ballot for the election of Executive Councilor, Town Officers, for adoption of Zoning Amendments and a petitioned article. The polls open at 8:00am and close at 7:00pm unless there is a vote to keep the polls open to a later hour. The ballots will be counted after the polls close at 7:00pm.

All other articles will be presented, discussed and acted upon beginning at 9:00am at the Freedom Town Hall.

## **Article 1:** (To vote by Official Ballot)

To bring in your votes for Executive Councilor. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

## **Article 2:** (To vote by Official Ballot):

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: Amend Appendix A to change the zoning district assignment from Residential/Light Commercial to Village Residential along Route 153 from the Effingham Town line to lots 9 and 11 on Map 44 inclusive, and also including lots 1-2 and 6 on Map 44?

## **Article 3:** (To vote by Official Ballot):

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: Amend the language and rules in Article 3, Section 304.6.5, Special Exception Standards for Tree Cutting in the Shorefront District by altering the ordinance's standards for obtaining a special exception for cutting and removing trees and natural vegetation in the Shorefront District? This replaces a reference to state law, RSA 483-B, by adding specific language from this law into the ordinance. It also adds language to allow the Zoning Officer to issue a permit to allow limited cutting of trees and the removal of dead, diseased, or unsafe trees. Presently, the Zoning Officer does not have this authority under the terms of the existing ordinance?

## **Article 4:** (To vote by Official Ballot):

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: Amend Article 18, section 1802 Definitions, to add the following definition of ground cover? "Ground

Cover" means any herbaceous plant or any woody seedling or shrub generally less than 3 feet in height. Natural ground cover shall not include lawns, landscaped areas, gardens, invasive species as listed by the N.H. Department of Agriculture, Markets and Food in accordance with RSA 430:53,III, exotic species as designed by rule of the N.H. Department of Environmental Services in accordance with RSA 487:24, VII, imported organic or stone mulch, or other artificial materials?

**Article 5:** (To vote by Official Ballot):

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows: Amend Article 3, section 309, Accessory Uses, to establish more restrictive standards for granting a special exception to operate commercial business uses as an accessory use in residential districts?

**Article 6:** (By petition) (To vote by Official Ballot)

"Do you approve of having 2 sessions for the annual town meeting in this town, the first session for choice of town officers elected by an official ballot and other action required to be inserted on said official ballot and the second session, on a date set by the selectmen, for transaction of other business?"

**Article 7:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the \$2,222,607 for General Government for (FY 2014) as follows:

	FY 2013 APPROP	FY2013 EXP	FY 2014 APPROP
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>			
<b>Town Office:</b>			
Wages, Fees, Benefits:			
Town Officers Salaries .....	26,150	26,150	29,150
Selectemen's Fees .....	250	450	250
Town Clerk Fees.....	12,200	12,493	12,200
Town Clerk Costs .....	0	0	4,400
Deputy Town Clerk .....	2,400	2,595	2,630
Tax Collector Fees/Costs.....	16,000	14,884	20,000
Salaries - Full Time .....	78,000	78,929	82,000
Salaries - Part Time .....	8,000	4,837	5,500
Retirement .....	3,500	2,525	3,500
Health/Dental Insurance .....	55,000	53,649	58,800
Life/Disability Insurance.....	<u>2,200</u>	<u>2,155</u>	<u>2,200</u>
Total Wages, Fees, Benefits .....	203,700	198,667	220,630
Town Office Expense .....	<u>44,005</u>	<u>46,872</u>	<u>45,750</u>
<b>Total Town Office .....</b>	<b>247,705</b>	<b>245,537</b>	<b>266,380</b>

	FY 2013 APPROP	FY2013 EXP	FY 2014 APPROP
<b>Election and Registration</b> .....	<b>6,500</b>	<b>6,046</b>	<b>11,500</b>
<b>Legal Expense</b> .....	<b>35,500</b>	<b>24,209</b>	<b>24,000</b>
<b>Payroll Taxes</b> .....	<b>44,235</b>	<b>43,995</b>	<b>51,054</b>
<b>Planning and Zoning Boards:</b> .....			
Wages - Part Time .....	1,900	818	1,900
Expense.....	3,950	3,646	3,900
<b>Total Planning and Zoning Boards</b> .....	<b>5,850</b>	<b>4,464</b>	<b>5,800</b>
<b>Public Buildings:</b>			
Wages - Part Time .....	10,300	8,862	10,300
Expenses .....	54,514	49,198	57,080
<b>Total Public Buildings</b> .....	<b>64,814</b>	<b>58,060</b>	<b>67,380</b>
<b>Cemeteries</b> .....	<b>3,725</b>	<b>1,850</b>	<b>3,725</b>
<b>Insurance</b> .....	<b>40,281</b>	<b>40,281</b>	<b>43,948</b>
<b>Lakes Region Planning Commission</b> .....	<b>2,194</b>	<b>2,194</b>	<b>2,224</b>
<b>Total General Government</b> .....	<b>450,804</b>	<b>426,638</b>	<b>476,011</b>
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY:</b>			
<b>Police Department:</b>			
Wages, Benefits			
Salaries - Full Time .....	176,076	188,612	124,500
Salaries - Part Time .....	24,000	23,690	46,000
Overtime/Holiday .....	19,059	20,002	14,634
Retirement .....	43,000	47,404	38,000
Health/Dental Insurance .....	71,300	69,203	48,516
Life/Disability Insurance .....	1,700	1,410	930
Total Wages and Benefits .....	335,135	348,321	272,580
Expenses .....	38,950	26,723	42,900
<b>Total Police Department</b> .....	<b>374,085</b>	<b>375,044</b>	<b>315,480</b>
<b>Fire Department:</b>			
Wages, Benefits			
Salaries - Part Time Chief .....	0	12,000	12,360
Part-Time Station Duty .....	48,400	37,020	36,640
Stipend for Response.....	20,000	20,000	30,000
Expense.....	64,400	73,206	53,150
<b>Total Fire Department</b> .....	<b>132,800</b>	<b>132,226</b>	<b>133,050</b>
<b>Ambulance Service</b> .....	<b>37,000</b>	<b>37,000</b>	<b>37,000</b>
<b>Building Inspector</b> .....	<b>12,870</b>	<b>11,465</b>	<b>13,160</b>
<b>Zoning Officer</b> .....	<b>6,500</b>	<b>4,509</b>	<b>6,300</b>

	FY 2013 APPROP	FY2013 EXP	FY 2014 APPROP
<b>Forest Fire Protection</b> .....	<b>3,000</b> .....	<b>5,933</b> .....	<b>3,000</b>
<b>Emergency Management &amp; Safety</b> .....	<b>900</b> .....	<b>153</b> .....	<b>3,900</b>
<b>Ossipee Lake Dam Authority</b> .....	<b>5,794</b> .....	<b>5,794</b> .....	<b>5,976</b>
<b>Water Precinct</b> .....	<b>400</b> .....	<b>400</b> .....	<b>400</b>
<b>Total Public Safety</b> .....	<b>573,349</b> .....	<b>572,524</b> .....	<b>518,266</b>

## **HIGHWAYS AND STREETS:**

### **Highway Department:**

#### **Wages and Benefits:**

Salaries - Full Time .....	169,638 .....	166,541 .....	207,555
Salaries - Part Time .....	19,000 .....	38,374 .....	20,323
Salaries - Overtime .....	57,701 .....	32,522 .....	65,754
Retirement .....	6,300 .....	5,800 .....	6,800
Health/Dental Insurance .....	104,400 .....	98,414 .....	112,100
Life/Disability Insurance .....	2,400 .....	2,751 .....	3,000
<b>Total Wages and Benefits</b> .....	<b>359,439</b> .....	<b>344,402</b> .....	<b>415,532</b>

#### **Expenses:**

Rental Equipment .....	113,400 .....	101,589 .....	113,400
Contract Services .....	22,000 .....	35,681 .....	22,000
Operating Expenses .....	244,368 .....	236,595 .....	238,768
Total Expenses.....	379,768 .....	373,865 .....	374,168
<b>Total Highway Department</b> .....	<b>739,207</b> .....	<b>718,267</b> .....	<b>789,700</b>

<b>Street Lights</b> .....	<b>12,000</b> .....	<b>11,493</b> .....	<b>12,000</b>
<b>Total Highways and Streets</b> .....	<b>751,207</b> .....	<b>729,760</b> .....	<b>801,700</b>

## **SANITATION:**

### **Transfer Station:**

Wages - Full Time .....	39,313 .....	39,889 .....	40,492
Wages - Part Time .....	12,000 .....	11,920 .....	12,000
Retirement.....	1,200 .....	1,182 .....	1,200
Health/Dental Insurance .....	26,100 .....	25,199 .....	28,030
Life/Disability Insurance .....	800 .....	749 .....	800
<b>Total Wages and Benefits</b> .....	<b>79,413</b> .....	<b>78,939</b> .....	<b>82,522</b>

#### **Expenses:**

Engineering.....	4,500 .....	2,140 .....	6,450
Transport Materials.....	100,000 .....	93,943 .....	80,000
Operating Expenses .....	12,957 .....	12,155 .....	12,602
Total Expenses.....	117,457 .....	108,238 .....	99,052
<b>Total Sanitation</b> .....	<b>196,870</b> .....	<b>187,177</b> .....	<b>181,574</b>



	FY 2013 APPROP	FY2013 EXP	FY 2014 APPROP
<b>HEALTH:</b>			
Salary and Expenses.....	900	596	800
<b>Agencies:</b>			
Carroll County Mental Health.....	1,433	1,433	1,433
Children Unlimited.....	2,000	2,000	2,000
Community Action Program .....	4,000	4,000	4,000
White Mt Health Center .....	1,735	1,735	1,707
Starting Point.....	1,036	1,036	1,036
Red Cross .....	600	600	1,292
S.C.C. Visiting Nurse .....	2,247	2,247	2,247
Ossipee Children's Fund.....	650	650	650
Life Flight Foundation .....	0	0	100
<b>Total Health .....</b>	<b>14,601</b>	<b>14,297</b>	<b>15,265</b>
<b>WELFARE:</b>			
Salary .....	1,100	1,680	1,800
Town Needy.....	7,500	2,764	5,200
<b>Total Welfare.....</b>	<b>8,600</b>	<b>4,444</b>	<b>7,000</b>
<b>CULTURE AND RECREATION:</b>			
Parks and Recreation .....	7,750	5,709	7,850
Library .....	68,065	68,065	70,165
Memorial Day.....	800	584	800
Old Home Week .....	2,000	2,000	2,000
Heritage Commission .....	500	208	500
<b>Total Culture and Recreation.....</b>	<b>79,115</b>	<b>76,566</b>	<b>81,315</b>
<b>CONSERVATION:</b>			
Conservation Commission.....	2,800	1,359	2,800
Water Quality Testing.....	3,000	3,000	3,000
Milfoil Remediation .....	6,500	6,500	6,500
Aquatic Invasive Species.....	0	0	750
<b>Total Conservation .....</b>	<b>12,300</b>	<b>10,859</b>	<b>13,050</b>
<b>DEBT SERVICE:</b>			
Bond Principal .....	72,000	75,000	75,000
Lease Principal .....	26,048	0	26,048
Bond Interest .....	21,450	21,450	19,200
Lease Interest.....	3,028	0	3,028
Tax Anticipation Notes Interest.....	25,000	29,857	5,000
Other Interest.....	200	34	150
<b>Total Debt Service .....</b>	<b>147,726</b>	<b>126,341</b>	<b>128,426</b>
<b>TOTAL ARTICLE 7.....</b>	<b>2,234,572</b>	<b>2,148,606</b>	<b>2,222,607</b>

**Article 8:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$28,572.00 for this year's contract with R.B. Wood & Associates, LLC to complete the necessary new construction assessing for the year and all other assessing duties required for the year.

**Article 9:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$160,000.00 to purchase a new 4 x 4 wheeled loader for the Highway Department; to be paid for by taxes; trade in of existing loader of \$30,000.00 and the withdrawal of up to \$60,000.00 from the Highway Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 2-1-0

**Article 10:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$68,000.00 to repave on Town Roads.

**Article 11:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$42,000.00 to sealcoat on Town Roads.

**Article 12:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$14,000.00 for road crack sealing on Town Roads.

**Article 13:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,500.00 for the purchase of a RAD 57 pulse co-oximeter for the Fire-Rescue Department.

**Article 14:**

To see if the Town will vote to form a municipal fire department as per RSA 154:1, I(b), whereby the Fire Chief shall be appointed by the Board of Selectmen, with firefighters appointed by the Board of Selectmen upon recommendation of the Fire Chief. The Board of Selectmen shall be authorized to take what additional steps are legally necessary to effectuate the above transaction. This Warrant Article shall be come effective as of July 1, 2014.

**Article 15:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 for a licensed forester to oversee the administration of forestry activities in the Town Forest for the ensuing year with said funds to be withdrawn from the Town Forest Maintenance Fund.

**Article 16:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,300.00 for maintenance activities in the Town Forest for the ensuing year with said funds to be withdrawn from the Town Forest Maintenance Fund.

**Article 17:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 to install a new fire alarm system at the Town Hall.

**Article 18:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for a Community Survey to obtain taxpayer and resident views on Master Plan topics. This data to be used in the update of the Town's Master Plan.

**Article 19:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,000.00 to be added to the Municipal Land and Building Fund of the Town previously established.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

**Article 20:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 20,000.00 to be added to the Highway Department Capital Reserve Fund of the Town previously established.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

**Article 21:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,000.00 to be added to the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund of the Town previously established.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

**Article 22:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 to be added to the Police Department Capital Reserve Fund of the Town previously established.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

**Article 23:**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,100.00 to be added to the Library Expendable Trust Fund of the Town previously established.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

**Article 24: (By Petition)**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for a contribution to the Freedom Food Pantry to assist in their efforts.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

**Article 25:** (By Petition)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 to conduct a planning ("build-out") analysis to determine the total number of houses that can be built around Danforth Ponds, Berry Bay, Leavitt Bay and Broad Bay.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen 3-0-0

**Article 26:** (By Petition)

"I(we), the undersigned, property owners, taxpayers, and/or residents of the Town of Freedom, New Hampshire, do hereby petition to see if the Town of Freedom will accept Durgin Hill Road as a public road".

**Article 27:**

To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 10th day of February in the year of the Lord Two Thousand Fourteen.

A true copy, attest

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Neal E. Boyle  
Leslie R. Babb  
Ernest F. Day, Jr.



**BUDGET**  
**OF THE TOWN OF FREEDOM, NH**  
**January 1, 2014 - December 31, 2014**

	Appropriations Prior Year	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year
<b>PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION</b>			
<b>General Government</b>			
Executive .....	\$26,150	\$26,150	\$29,150
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics .....	6,500	6,046	11,500
Financial Administration .....	221,555	219,389	237,230
Revaluation of Property .....	28,020	28,020	28,572
Legal Expenses .....	35,500	24,209	24,000
Personnel Administration .....	44,235	43,995	51,054
Planning and Zoning .....	12,350	8,973	22,100
General Government Buildings .....	64,814	58,060	67,380
Cemeteries .....	3,725	1,850	3,725
Insurance .....	40,281	40,281	43,948
Regional Assoc .....	2,194	2,194	2,224
<b>Public Safety</b>			
Police .....	374,085	375,044	315,480
Ambulance .....	37,000	37,000	37,000
Fire .....	135,800	138,159	136,050
Building Inspection .....	12,870	11,465	13,160
Emergency Management .....	900	153	3,900
Hydrants, Dam Safety .....	6,194	6,194	6,376
<b>Highway and Streets</b>			
Highway and Street .....	880,007	850,927	913,700
Street Lighting .....	12,000	11,493	12,000
Other .....	0	24,000	0
<b>Sanitation</b>			
Solid Waste Disposal .....	196,870	187,177	181,574
<b>Health</b>			
Health Officer .....	900	596	800
Health Agencies .....	13,701	13,701	14,465
<b>Welfare</b>			
Administration .....	1,100	1,680	1,800
Vendor Payments & Other .....	12,500	7,764	10,200

Culture and Recreation

Parks and Recreation .....	7,750	5,709	7,850
Library .....	68,065	68,065	70,165
Patriotic Purposes .....	800	584	800
Other Culture and Recreation .....	2,500	2,208	2,500

Conservation

Admin. & Purchase of Natural Resources	2,800	1,359	2,800
Other Conservation .....	19,500	19,500	24,550

Debt Services

Princ-Long Term Bonds & Notes .....	98,048	75,000	101,048
Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes .....	24,478	21,450	22,228
Interest on TANs .....	25,000	29,857	5,000
Other Debt Service .....	200	34	150

Capital Outlay

Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment .....	504,636	455,657	165,500
Buildings .....	0	0	5,000
Improvements Other Than Buildings .....	18,500	18,399	0

Operating Transfer Out

To Capital Reserve Fund .....	52,000	52,000	53,000
To Trust Fund .....	1,500	1,500	2,100

<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$2,995,028</b>	<b>\$2,872,560</b>	<b>\$2,574,979</b>
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Estimated	Actual	Estimated
Revenue	Revenue	Revenue
Prior Year	Prior Year	Ensuing FY

SOURCE OF REVENUE

Taxes

Timber Taxes .....	18,500	20,058	18,500
Other Taxes - Boat .....	4,000	5,641	4,500
Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	55,000	70,248	55,000

Licenses, Permits and Fees

Business Licenses & Permits .....	6,700	6,748	6,700
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees .....	240,000	277,731	250,000
Building Permits .....	10,000	15,908	15,000
Other Licenses, Permits and Fees .....	30,000	35,436	25,000

<b>From State</b>			
Meal & Rooms Tax Distribution .....	60,000	66,985	60,000
Highway Block Grant .....	70,000	70,263	70,000
<b>Charges for Services</b>			
Income from Departments .....	8,600	8,600	8,600
Other Charges .....	500	90	500
<b>Miscellaneous Revenues</b>			
Sale of Municipal Property .....	800	800	1,200
Interest on Investments .....	1,600	2,167	1,800
Other .....	2,700	79,067	10,000
<b>Interfund Operating Transfers In</b>			
From Capital Reserve Fund .....	65,000	65,000	60,000
From Conservation Funds .....	10,000	10,000	14,300
<b>Total Estimated Revenue &amp; Credits .....</b>	<b>\$607,700</b>	<b>\$734,742</b>	<b>\$601,100</b>
Appropriations Recommended .....			\$2,574,979
Special Warrant Articles .....			55,100
Total Appropriations .....			\$2,630,079
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenue & Credits .....			\$601,100
Amount of Taxes to be Raised .....			\$2,028,979

**TOWN OF FREEDOM**  
**DETAIL OF REVENUE**  
**Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2013**

<u>Source</u>		<u>Amount</u>
Property Tax Levy	6,041,069	
Interest & Penalties Late Taxes	70,248	
Yield Tax	20,058	
Boat Tax	<u>5,641</u>	6,137,016
State Aid:		
Meals & Rooms Distribution	66,985	
Highway Block Grant	<u>70,263</u>	137,248
Town Clerk:		
State UCC	195	
Wetlands, PSNH Pole	110	
Dog Licenses	501	
Vehicle Registrations	277,731	
Other Fees	<u>20</u>	278,557
Transfer Station:		
Permits	21,175	
Tipping Fees	10,804	
Recycling Revenue	<u>726</u>	32,705
Building Inspector:		
Permits		15,908
Police Department:		
Reports, etc	30	
Special Detail Fees	<u>60</u>	90
Selectmen:		
Copies-Printouts-Maps-Checklists-Fax	857	
Donations	6,400	
Fines & Forfeits	20,453	
Bank Fees	400	
ZBA Fees	2,262	
Winter Road Maintenance Fees	2,250	



Other Permits and Fees	769	
Town of Eaton (Fire)	8,600	
Cable TV Franchise Fee	6,748	
Sale of Town Property	800	
Rents of Property	160	
Interest Income	2,167	
Telephone Refund	<u>558</u>	52,424
FEMA Disaster		7,643
Health Insurance Premium Return (per court order)		35,966
Special Revenue Fund Transfer (Conservation)		10,000
Capital Reserve - Highway Department		60,000
Police Department		5,000
Unclaimed Checks		3,254
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>6,775,811</b>

# TOWN OF FREEDOM

## SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

### FISCAL YEAR 2013

	BALANCE 01/01/13	NEW FUNDS	EXPENDED	TRANSFER TO GENL FUND REVENUE	BALANCE 12/31/13
<b>INTERFUND TRANSFERS IN:</b>					
Cemetery P/C Int. ....	4,009	82			4,091
New Municipal Bldg/Land .....	<u>5,000</u>				<u>5,000</u>
<b>Total Transfers In .....</b>	<b>9,009</b>	<b>82</b>			<b>9,091</b>
<b>ESCROW - Cell Tower .....</b>	<b>7</b>			<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>GIFTS AND DONATIONS:</b>					
General Government:					
Town Hall - Kitchen .....	-500	500			0
Public Safety:					
Police Dept .....	0	500			500
K9 Dog .....	0	250	94		156
Fire Dept.....	487	500	100		887
Highways:					
Highway Dept.....	1,533	250			1,783
Culture and Recreation:					
Recreation.....	<u>300</u>	<u>300</u>			<u>600</u>
<b>Total Gifts and Donations .....</b>	<b>1,820</b>	<b>2,300</b>	<b>194</b>		<b>3,926</b>
<b>POLICE - Outside Detail .....</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,402</b>	<b>4,894</b>		<b>-492</b>
<b>GRANTS - Fire Department ...</b>	<b>-10,474</b>	<b>10,474</b>			<b>0</b>
<b>CONSERVATION:</b>					
Conservation - Milfoil Gifts .....	15,632	1,541	6,805		10,368
Conservation - Gifts .....	195				195
Conservation - Land Use Tax ...	28,390	3,000	15,145		16,245
Wildlife Habitat.....	17,945				17,945
Stewardship - Gifts .....	3,099	500			3,599
Trout Pond Forest Stewardship .....	860		860		0
Town Forest Maintenance.....	59,957	27,552	6,000	10,000	71,509
Milfoil Grant .....		<u>15,875</u>	<u>15,875</u>		<u>0</u>
<b>Total Conservation .....</b>	<b>108,133</b>	<b>66,413</b>	<b>44,685</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>119,861</b>
<b>TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>					
	<b>108,495</b>	<b>83,671</b>	<b>49,773</b>	<b>10,007</b>	<b>132,386</b>

# PROPERTY VALUATION INVENTORY SCHEDULE

<b>Value of Land</b>	<b>Acres</b>	<b>2013 Assessed Valuation</b>	<b>Totals</b>
A. Current Use .....	11,573 .....	\$1,058,473	
(at current use values)			
B. Residential .....	6,276 .....	244,454,700	
C. Commercial/Industrial .....	414 .....	5,028,800	
Total of Taxable Land .....			\$250,541,973
Tax Exempt and Non Taxable Land (12,843,400)			
<b>Value of Buildings Only</b>			
A. Residential .....		\$211,896,036	
B. Manufactured Housing .....		19,199,800	
C. Commercial/Industrial .....		8,523,600	
D. Discretionary Preservation Easement (5 structures) ....		20,064	
Total of Taxable Buildings .....			239,639,500
Tax Exempt and Non Taxable Buildings (9,929,600)			
<b>Public Utilities</b> - Value of all property used in production, transmission and distribution including production, machinery, land, land rights, easements, etc.			
Electric .....		\$3,946,200	
Total Public Utilities .....			3,946,200
<b>Valuation Before Exemptions .....</b>			<b>\$494,339,173</b>
Blind Exemptions RSA 72:38-b			
Total Number Granted 1 .....		\$15,000	
Elderly Exemptions RSA 72:39, a and b			
Total Number Granted 13 .....		524,000	
Disabled Exemption RSA 72:37-b			
Total Number Granted 2 .....		40,000	
Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions .....			579,000
<b>Net Valuation on which the Tax Rate is Computed .....</b>			<b>\$493,760,173</b>
Less Public Utilities .....			4,157,700
<b>Net Valuation without utilities which Tax Rate for</b>			
<b>State Education Tax is Computed .....</b>			<b>\$489,602,473</b>

# STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS

## Purpose of Appropriations

### General Government

Town Officers Salaries .....	\$26,150
Election & Registrations .....	6,500
Town Officers Expenses.....	221,555
Revaluation of Property .....	28,020
Legal Expenses.....	35,500
Personnel Administration .....	44,235
Planning and Zoning .....	12,350
General Government Buildings.....	64,814
Cemeteries .....	3,725
Insurance.....	40,281
Lakes Region Planning.....	2,194
Heritage Commission.....	500

### Public Safety

Police .....	374,085
Ambulance.....	37,000
Fire.....	135,800
Building Inspection .....	12,870
Emergency Management.....	900
Ossipee Lake Dam Authority .....	5,794
Water Precinct .....	400

### Highway Streets and Bridges

Highway Streets and Bridges .....	880,007
Street Lighting .....	12,000

### Sanitation

Solid Waste Disposal.....	196,870
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### Health

Administration.....	900
Health Agencies.....	13,701

### Welfare

Administration.....	1,100
Vendor Payments.....	12,500

### Culture and Recreation

Parks & Recreation.....	7,750
Library .....	68,065
Patriotic Purposes .....	800
Old Home Week .....	2,000



**Conservations**

Administration of Natural Recourses .....	2,800
Other Conservation.....	19,500

**Debt Services**

Bond Principal.....	98,048
Bond Interest .....	24,478
Interest on TAN .....	25,000
Other Interest.....	200

**Capital Outlay**

Machinery Vehicle and Equipment .....	504,636
Improvements Other Than Buildings.....	18,500

**Operating Transfers Out**

Capital Reserve Funds

Highway .....	30,000
Municipal Land and Building Fund.....	12,000
Town Hall and Office Capital Reserve Fund.....	10,000

Trust Funds

Library .....	1,500
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**TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS.....\$2,995,028**

**Certification**

This is to certify that the information contained in this form appropriations actually voted by the town meeting were taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Selectmen of Freedom  
Neal Boyle  
Leslie Babb  
Ernest Day Jr.

# STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

## 2013 APPROPRIATIONS

### Town Officer Salaries

Selectmen .....	\$15,000
Town Clerk .....	5,000
Tax Collector .....	3,000
Town Treasurer .....	3,000
Trustee of Trust Funds .....	150
Expended .....	\$26,150
Appropriated .....	<u>26,150</u>
Balance .....	0

### Town Office Expenses

Selectmen's Fees .....	\$450
Town Clerk Fees .....	12,493
Deputy Town Clerk .....	2,595
Tax Collector Fees & Costs .....	14,884
Town Administrator .....	49,168
Administrative Assistant .....	29,761
Part-time Salary .....	4,837
Health/Dental Insurance .....	53,649
Life/Disability Insurance .....	2,155
Retirement .....	2,525
Reimbursable Expense .....	2,466
Computer Support .....	12,888
Dues .....	2,362
Tax Map Updates .....	1,482
Meeting/Training .....	329
Office Supplies .....	5,498
Telephone .....	3,156
Printing Postage Notices .....	2,408
Professional Audit .....	15,180
Equipment Purchase .....	656
Bank Charges .....	40
Expended .....	\$218,982
Encumbered .....	407
Appropriated .....	<u>221,555</u>
Under run .....	\$2,166

### Election & Registration

Workers .....	\$2,491
Training .....	538
Printing/Advertising .....	2,974
Materials Modifications and Supplies .....	43
Expended .....	\$6,046
Appropriated .....	<u>6,500</u>
Under run .....	\$454

<b>Revaluation of Property</b> .....	Expended .....	\$28,020
	Appropriated .....	<u>28,020</u>
	Balance .....	0

**Legal Expense**

Town Office.....	\$5,613	
Zoning Board.....	362	
Planning Board.....	587	
Kondrat .....	13,511	
Personnel .....	88	
Tax Deeded Property .....	436	
Cell Tower .....	2,367	
	Expended.....	\$22,964
	Encumbered.....	<u>1,246</u>
	Total.....	24,210
	Appropriated.....	<u>35,500</u>
	Under run.....	\$11,290

<b>Payroll Taxes</b> .....	Expended.....	\$43,995
	Appropriated .....	<u>44,235</u>
	Under run .....	\$240

**Planning and Zoning**

Part-time Salary .....	1,738
Expenses .....	2,726
Expended .....	\$4,464
Appropriated .....	<u>5,850</u>
Under run .....	\$1,386

**Zoning Officer**

Part Time Salary .....	\$4,367
Expenses .....	142
Expended .....	\$4,509
Appropriated .....	6,500
Under run .....	\$1,991

**Town Buildings**

Part-time Salary .....	\$8,862
Operating Expenses .....	31,406
Office Maintenance/Repair .....	7,862
Town Hall Maintenance/Repair.....	6,249
Public Safety Building Maintenance and Repair .....	2,479
Village Fire Station Maintenance and Repair .....	115
Expended .....	\$56,973
Encumbered.....	<u>1,087</u>
Total .....	58,060
Appropriated.....	<u>64,814</u>
Under run .....	\$6,754

<b>Cemetery</b> .....	Expended .....	\$1,850
	Appropriated.....	<u>3,275</u>
	Under run .....	\$1,875

<b>Insurance</b> .....	Expended.....	\$40,281
	Appropriated.....	<u>40,281</u>
	Balance .....	0

**Advertising & Regional Associates**

Lakes Region Planning ...	Expended.....	\$2,194
	Appropriated.....	<u>2,194</u>
	Balance .....	0

<b>Emergency Management Program</b> ...	Expended .....	\$153
	Appropriated.....	<u>900</u>
	Under Run .....	\$747

**Police Department**

Chief Salary .....	\$64,351	
Full Time Salaries.....	122,261	
Part Time Salaries.....	23,690	
Overtime/Holiday .....	20,002	
Retirement .....	47,404	
Health & Dental Insurance.....	69,203	
Life & Disability Insurance.....	1,410	
Gasoline.....	10,809	
Vehicle/Radio/Equipment Repairs .....	3,897	
Office/Operating Expenses.....	1,740	
Uniforms.....	3,077	
Telephone .....	2,220	
Equipment.....	549	
K- Expenses.....	313	
D.A.R.E .....	563	
Training .....	651	
Computer Support .....	2,077	
	Expended.....	\$374,217
	Encumbered.....	<u>827</u>
	Total.....	375,044
	Appropriated.....	<u>374,085</u>
	Over run .....	\$959

**Fire Department**

Part-Time Chief Salary.....	\$12,000
Member's Stipend .....	20,000
Part-time Station Duty .....	37,020
Training .....	3,542
Mutual Aid Dues .....	4,500
Prevention.....	746

Telephone .....	1,337
Equipment Purchases .....	7,694
Vehicle Repairs .....	30,356
Vehicle Gas .....	6,819
Turnout Gear .....	3,065
Radio/Equipment Repairs .....	2,968
First Responders .....	1,762
Operating/Office Expense .....	859
Annual Inspection .....	3,558
Expended .....	\$136,226
Appropriated .....	132,800
Capital Res Fund .....	<u>4,000</u>
Under Run .....	\$574

### **Forest Fire Protection**

Part-time .....	\$321
Equipment Purchase .....	2,138
Wildfire Response (unpaid grant) .....	3,474
Expended .....	\$5,933
Appropriated .....	<u>3,000</u>
Over Run .....	\$2,933

<b>Water Precinct</b> .....	Expended .....	\$400
	Appropriated .....	<u>400</u>
	Balance .....	0

### **Building Inspector**

Part Time .....	\$10,538
Expenses .....	927
Expended .....	\$11,465
Appropriated .....	<u>12,870</u>
Under run .....	\$1,405

### **Health Officer**

Part Time Salary .....	\$401
Expenses .....	195
Expended .....	\$596
Appropriated .....	<u>900</u>
Under run .....	\$304

### **Health & Social Services**

Ambulance .....	\$37,000
C.C. Mental Health .....	1,433
Children Unlimited .....	2,000
Community Action Program .....	4,000
White Mountain Health Center .....	1,735
Visiting Nurse Service .....	2,247
Starting Point .....	1,036
Red Cross .....	600



Ossipee Child Fund .....	650
Expended.....	\$50,701
Appropriated.....	<u>50,701</u>
Balance .....	0

## Welfare

Part Time Salary .....	\$1,680
General Assistance .....	2,763
Expended.....	\$4,443
Appropriated.....	<u>8,600</u>
Under run .....	\$4,157

<b>Parks &amp; Recreation</b> .....	Expended.....	\$5,709
	Appropriated.....	<u>7,750</u>
	Under run .....	\$2,041

<b>Library</b> .....	Expended .....	\$68,065
	Appropriated.....	<u>68,065</u>
	Balance .....	0

<b>Heritage Commission</b> .....	Expended.....	\$208
	Appropriated.....	<u>500</u>
	Under run .....	\$292

## Patriotic Purposes

Old Home Week .....	\$2,000
Other .....	584
Expended.....	\$2,584
Appropriated.....	<u>2,800</u>
Under run .....	\$216

## Conservation Commission

Administration.....	Expended.....	\$1,359
	Appropriated.....	<u>2,800</u>
	Under run .....	\$1,441

Water Quality Testing.....	Expended.....	\$3,000
	Appropriated.....	<u>3,000</u>
	Balance .....	0

Forest Maintenance.....	Expended .....	\$295
	Encumbered.....	<u>4,705</u>
	Total.....	5,000
	Appropriated.....	<u>5,000</u>
	Balance .....	0

Forester.....	Expended .....	\$3,048
	Encumbered.....	<u>1,952</u>
	Total.....	5,000

	Appropriated.....	<u>5,000</u>
	Balance.....	0
<b>Milfoil Removal.....</b>	Expended.....	\$6,500
	Appropriated.....	<u>6,500</u>
	Balance.....	\$0
<b>Ossipee Lake Dam Authority.....</b>	Expended.....	\$5,794
	Appropriated.....	<u>5,794</u>
	Balance.....	0
<b>Highway Maintenance</b>		
<i>Summer</i>		
	Labor.....	\$116,572
	Rental Equipment.....	53,259
	Materials.....	50,052
	Signs and Signals.....	6,160
	Road Striping.....	5,370
	Contract Services.....	35,681
	<b>Total Summer Maintenance .....</b>	<b>\$267,094</b>
<i>Winter</i>		
	Labor.....	\$120,866
	Rental Equipment.....	55,487
	Materials.....	53,788
	<b>Total Winter Maintenance .....</b>	<b>\$230,141</b>
	General Highway Expense .....	\$114,067
	Health & Dental Insurance.....	98,414
	Life/Disability Insurance.....	2,751
	Retirement .....	5,800
	Expended.....	\$718,267
	Appropriated.....	<u>739,207</u>
	Under run .....	\$20,940
<b>New Grader Rental.....</b>	Expended.....	\$24,000
	Appropriated.....	<u>0</u>
	Over run .....	\$24,000
<b>Street Lights.....</b>	Expended.....	\$11,493
	Appropriated.....	<u>12,000</u>
	Under run .....	\$507
<b>Transfer Station</b>		
	Full-time Salary.....	\$39,889
	Part-time Salaries.....	11,920
	Health & Dental Insurance.....	25,199

Life/Disability Insurance .....	749
Retirement .....	1,182
Engineering.....	2,140
Transfer Fees .....	93,943
Household Hazardous Waste Fee .....	2,087
Utilities/Maintenance .....	3,592
Site Improvements.....	407
Operating Expense .....	6,069
Expended.....	\$187,177
Appropriated.....	<u>196,870</u>
Under run .....	\$9,693

#### **Debt Services**

Bond Principal PSB.....	\$75,000
Lease Principal Tank Truck.....	0
Expended.....	\$75,000
Appropriated.....	<u>98,048</u>
Under run .....	\$23,048

#### **Interest Expense**

Tax Anticipated Notes Interest .....	\$29,857
Bond Interest .....	21,450
Tank Truck Interest.....	0
Other Interest.....	33
Expended.....	\$51,340
Appropriated.....	<u>49,678</u>
Over run .....	\$1,662

#### **Capital Reserve**

Highway Equipment.....	\$30,000
Municipal Land and Buildings.....	12,000
Town Hall/Office.....	10,000
Expended.....	\$52,000
Appropriated.....	<u>52,000</u>
Balance .....	0

#### **Trust Funds**

Library.....	Expended .....	\$1,500
	Appropriated.....	<u>1,500</u>
	Balance .....	0

#### **Capital Outlay/Individual Articles**

Highway - Crack and Seal.....	Expended .....	\$12,000
	Appropriated.....	<u>12,000</u>
	Balance .....	0
Highway - Sealing .....	Expended.....	\$35,823
	Appropriated.....	<u>42,000</u>
	Under run .....	\$6,177

Highway - Hot Top.....	Expended .....	\$68,000
	Appropriated.....	<u>66,037</u>
	Under run .....	\$1,963
Highway Gravel Crushing.....	Expended .....	\$18,800
	Encumbered.....	<u>18,800</u>
	Balance .....	0
Highway Grader.....	Expended .....	\$275,718
	Appropriated.....	<u>279,000</u>
	Under run .....	\$3,282
Highway Dump Truck.....	Expended.....	\$123,472
	Encumbered.....	<u>2,000</u>
	Total.....	125,472
	Appropriated.....	173,000
	Returned to Trustees.....	<u>47,528</u>
	Balance .....	0
Police Cruiser .....	Expended .....	\$48,185
	Appropriated.....	<u>49,636</u>
	Under run .....	\$1,451
Tennis Court Repairs.....	Expended.....	\$5,899
	Appropriated.....	<u>6,000</u>
	Under run .....	\$101
Food Pantry.....	Expended .....	\$5,000
	Appropriated.....	<u>5,000</u>
	Balance .....	0
Fire Seagraves.....	Expended .....	\$3,000
	Appropriated.....	<u>3,000</u>
	Balance .....	0
Kidder Drive Cistern.....	Encumbered .....	\$12,500
	Appropriated.....	<u>12,500</u>
	Balance .....	0
<b>TOTAL BUDGET UNDER RUN.....</b>		<b>\$74,931</b>

TAX RATE COMPUTATION

Appropriations .....2,995,028  
Less: Revenues.....1,009,129  
Add: Overlay .....20,213  
War Service Credits .....33,550

Net Town Appropriations.....2,037,662 TAX  
RATE  
Approved Tax/City Tax Effort.....2,037,662 4.12

SCHOOL PORTION

Gross Appropriations..3,700,917  
Less Revenue.....142,163  
Net Local School Budget .....3,558,754  
School Education Tax .....(1,180,021) LOCAL  
SCHOOL  
RATE  
Approved School(s) Tax Effort .....2,378,733 4.82

STATE EDUCATION TAXES

Equalized Valuation (no utilities)x.....2.435 STATE  
SCHOOL  
484,608,324.....1,180,021 RATE  
Divided by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities) 2.41  
489,602,473

COUNTY PORTION

Due to County .....496,440 COUNTY  
RATE  
Approved County Tax Effort.....496,440 1.01

TOTAL RATE 12.36

Total Property Taxes Assessed .....6,092,856  
Less: War Service Credit .....(31,550)  
Total Property Tax Commitment .....6,061,306

PROOF OF RATE

Net Assessed Valuation .....	Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax (no utilities)..489,602,473 .....	2.41 .....	1,180,021
All Other Taxes.....493,760,173 .....	9.95.....	<u>4,912,835</u>
		6,092,856



# **TOWN OWNED EQUIPMENT**

**In Excess of \$1,000**

## **Highway**

1963 York Rake  
2000 Cat 924C Loader  
1992 Morbark Chipper  
2013 International All Wheel Drive  
2011 Ford F550 XL One Ton  
2006 Ford F550 One Ton (Hwy/Fire)  
1985 Chevy Tank Truck  
1991 MB Sweeper  
1994 Billy Goat  
2006 Hiway 12' stainless steel sander  
2001 Hiway 3 yd stainless steel sander  
2000 Hiway 5 yd stainless steel sander  
1999 Hiway 5 yd stainless steel sander  
1999 Shoulder Gravel Machine  
2011 Pressure Washer  
Miller Generator/Welder

## **Police Department**

2013 Chevy Tahoe  
2012 Chevy Tahoe  
2009 Chevy Tahoe  
3 Kustom Golden Eagle II Radar units  
3 Mobile Motorola Astro Digital Radio  
4 Portable Motorola XTS 3000 Digital Radios  
2007 Polaris Ranger 6x6

## **Fire Department**

2012 International Tank Truck  
2004 Chevy Tahoe  
2006 F550 Ford Forestry Truck  
2000 F550 Ford Rescue Truck  
1996 Spartan Fire Truck  
1989 Mack Fire Truck  
1985 Chevy Tank Truck  
1926 Seagrave Fire Truck  
2004 Portable Deck Gun  
1996 Stinger Deck Gun

2006 (23) XTS 2500i Portable Radios  
2004 (4) Motorola Astro Digital Radios  
1996 100 Watt Kenwood Radio  
1998 Jaws of Life Power Unit  
1998 Hurst 60" Hydraulic Ram  
1998 Hurst 30" Hydraulic Ram  
1998 Hurst Combi Tool Spreader Cutter  
1998 Hurst Cutter  
2010 Hurst Tool Cutter  
2004 Stabilization Kit  
MSA 5500 Thermal Imaging Camera  
10 MSA Airpacks  
Honda Generator  
2007 13,000 watt Honda Generator  
10,000 Watt Diesel Generator  
Multi Gas Meter  
2 Darley Portable Pumps  
2000 275 Gallon Forestry Skid Unit  
2002 450 Gallon Forestry Skid Unit  
2007 75 gallon Skid Unit with Pump/Reel  
2006 Akron Hose Tester  
2007 (2) Can Am 4x4 ATV  
2007 Polaris Ranger 6x6  
2007 315PSI Forestry Pump  
2006 120GPM Forestry Pump  
Phillips 12 Lead Cardiac Monitor  
1998 Positive Pressure Fan  
2008 Rescue Sled  
3000 Watt Light Tower  
Extractor

## **Transfer Station**

3 Hydraulic Compactors, 7 Containers  
12' Snowpusher  
1995 Case 560L Backhoe

**TOWN OWNED  
PROPERTY SCHEDULE**

**Assessed Values  
As of December 31, 2013**

<b>Town Hall, Land and Building</b> .....	<b>\$437,300</b>
<b>Town Office, Land and Building</b> .....	<b>.275,300</b>
<b>Public Safety Building and Land</b> .....	<b>.589,500</b>
<b>Roller Shed, Land and Building</b> .....	<b>.31,500</b>
<b>Library, Land and Buildings</b> .....	<b>.404,200</b>
<b>Highway Department, Land and Buildings</b> .....	<b>.201,600</b>
<b>Transfer/Recycling Facility, Land and Buildings</b> .....	<b>.110,200</b>
<b>Parks, Commons, Playgrounds and Beaches</b> .....	<b>.570,500</b>
<b>Schools, Land and Building</b> .....	<b>.2,487,600</b>
<b>Conservation Commission</b> .....	<b>.617,200</b>
<b>Trout Pond Town Forest</b> .....	<b>.2,737,400</b>
<b>All Land Acquired Through Tax Collectors Deeds</b> .....	<b>.315,900</b>
<b>All Other Property</b>	
Fox Run Lot.....	.96,600
Backland off Cushing Corner Road	
Abuts Morrow/Hayes - Owners Uncertain .....	.34,700
Abuts Danforth Pond/Ossipee Lake Road .....	.50,500
	<b>\$8,960,000</b>

SCHOOL DISTRICT LIABILITY

Liability at Beginning of Year .....	1,243,754
Assessment for Current Year .....	3,558,754
Total Liability with in Current Year .....	4,802,508
Payments made to School District.....	1,906,246
Liability at End of Year.....	2,896,262
Total .....	4,802,508

TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES

New Issues During Current Year.....	2,400,000
Issues Retired During .....	2,400,000

## DEBT - AMORTIZATION SCHEDULE

<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Public Safety Building</b>
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2013 Installment .....	\$75,000
Interest Rate .....	3.0
Date of Final Payment .....	08/15/21
Bonds o/s at beginning of year .....	.665,000
Bonds issued this year .....	.0
Bonds Retired this year .....	.0
Bonds o/s at end of year .....	.590,000

Annual requirements to amortize all general obligation  
(debt as of 12/31/13)

<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2014	75,000	4%	19,200	94,200
2015	75,000	2%	16,200	91,200
2016	75,000	4%	14,700	89,700
2017	75,000	3%	11,700	86,700
2018	75,000	4%	9,450	84,450
2019	75,000	3%	6,450	81,450
2020	70,000	3%	4,200	74,200
2021	70,000	3%	2,100	72,100
<b>Total</b>	<b>590,000</b>		<b>84,000</b>	<b>674,000</b>



# TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

## TOWN OF FREEDOM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

(January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013)

### Report of Revenue Received

2538	Motor Vehicle Permits Issued .....	\$277,927.11
148	Dog Licenses .....	785.00
42	Vital Copies .....	555.00
10	Marriage Licenses .....	450.00
	Facilities Permits .....	675.00
	Wetland Applications .....	80.00
	Postage .....	60.00
	Pole Line Easements .....	30.00
	State - UCC filings .....	195.00
	Motor Vehicle Title .....	9.00
	Dog Fine .....	69.00
	Photo Copies .....	<u>150.00</u>
	<b>TOTAL: .....</b>	<b>\$280,985.11</b>

Respectfully submitted,

A.Elizabeth Priebe, Town Clerk

# TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT SUMMARY OF TAX ACCOUNTS

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2013

## DEBITS

Uncollected Taxes Beginning of Fiscal Year: 2013				2012	2011
Property Taxes.....	502,823.35			0.00	
Land Use Change Taxes.....	0.00			0.00	
Timber Yield Taxes .....	657.51			0.00	
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd.....	0.00			0.00	
Prior Years' Credit Balance .....	(0.00)				
This Year's New Credits .....	(11,488.04)				

## Tax Committed This Year:

Property Taxes .....	6,061,282.00	0.00
Land Use Changes .....	0.00	0.00
Timber Yield Taxes .....	20,057.53	768.58
Excavation Tax .....	0.00	0.00

## Overpayment:

Credits Refunded .....	11,488.04	0.00
Interest - Late Tax .....	25.04	16,266.78
<b>TOTAL DEBTS .....</b>	<b>\$6,081,364.57</b>	<b>\$520,516.22</b>
		<b>\$0.00</b>

## CREDITS

### Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year:

Property Taxes .....	5,386,411.42	342,882.33	0.00
Land Use Change Taxes .....	0.00	0.00	0.00
Timber Yield Taxes .....	18,607.43	1,426.09	0.00
Interest & Penalties.....	25.04	16,266.78	0.00
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd.....		0.00	0.00
Converted to Liens (principal only) .....	0.00	157,034.02	0.00
Prior Year Overpayments Assigned.....	0.00		

### Abatements Made:

Property Taxes .....	1,642.00	2,907.00
Land Use Change Taxes .....	0.00	
Timber Yield Taxes .....	0.00	0.00

### Uncollected Revenue End of Year:

Property Taxes .....	673,228.58	0.00	0.00
Land Use Change Tax.....	0.00	0.00	0.00
Timber Tax Yield .....	1,450.10	0.00	0.00
Excavation Tax .....	0.00	0.00	0.00
Property Tax Credit Balance.....	0.00	0.00	0.00

<b>TOTAL CREDITS .....</b>	<b>\$6,081,364.57</b>	<b>\$520,516.22</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
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Respectfully Submitted,

Annette Babb

Tax Collector

# TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

## SUMMARY OF TAX SALES/ TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2013

Levies of:

DEBITS	2012	2011	2010+
<b>Unredeemed Liens</b>			
Beginning of Fiscal Year .....	0 .....	\$118,367.67 .....	\$77,856.29
Liens Executed During FY .....	\$165,845.60		
Interest and Costs Collected .....	<u>4,839.84</u> .....	<u>16,500.06</u> .....	<u>32,124.48</u>
<b>TOTAL LIEN DEBTS</b>	<b>\$170,685.44</b>	<b>\$134,876.73</b>	<b>\$109,980.77</b>

## CREDITS

### Remitted to Treasurer:

Redemptions .....	\$57,207.58 .....	\$65,712.75 .....	\$68,874.31
Interest & Costs Collected.....	4,839.84 .....	16,500.06 .....	32,124.48
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens ....	1,316.66 .....	344.48 .....	361.66
Liens Deeded to Municipality .....	601.18 .....	0.00 .....	812.55
Unredeemed Liens End of FY .....	<u>106,720.18</u> .....	<u>52,319.44</u> .....	<u>7,807.77</u>
<b>TOTAL LIEN CREDITS</b>	<b>\$170,685.44</b>	<b>\$134,876.73</b>	<b>\$109,980.77</b>

## PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENTS

### Fiscal Year Ending 2010

Sweet .....	10.00
Lachance .....	354.48

### Fiscal Year Ending 2011

Lachance .....	344.48
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### Fiscal Year Ending 2012

Avola.....	354.00
Boothby .....	473.68
City of Peabody .....	236.00
Dezainde .....	118.00
Dipaolo .....	30.00
Fairpoint .....	1,304.00
Janvrin .....	310.00
Knight.....	92.00
Lachance.....	352.76
Rogers.....	75.00
Roberts.....	1,584.00
Ryan.....	490.22
Walsh .....	41.00
Wisniewski .....	502.00
Whittemore .....	502.00
Wood.....	471.00

### Fiscal Year Ending 2013

Davidson.....	17.00
Jackson .....	368.00
Marchand.....	813.00
Meuse .....	278.00
Mullen.....	188.00
Nature Conservancy .....	388.00
South Eaton Church .....	467.00

## SEMI-ANNUAL COLLECTION OF TAXES

In January of 2014 the Board of Selectmen voted to begin Semi-Annual Collection of Taxes as per RSA 76:15-b.

Starting this year the collection of taxes will be in accordance with RSA 76:15-a. A portion of this RSA is below:

### **76:15-a Semi-Annual Collection of Taxes in Certain Towns and Cities. -**

I. Taxes shall be collected in the following manner in towns and cities which adopt the provisions of this section in the manner set out in RSA 76:15-b. A partial payment of the taxes assessed on April 1 in any tax year shall be computed by taking the prior year's assessed valuation times  $1/2$  of the previous year's tax rate; provided, however, that whenever it shall appear to the selectmen or assessors that certain individual properties have physically changed in valuation, they may use the current year's appraisal times  $1/2$  the previous year's tax rate to compute the partial payment.

II. For the purposes of this section, the lists of assessed property shall be committed by the selectmen with a warrant under their hands and seal directed to the collector of such town no later than May 15. The collector shall mail all the bills for this partial payment no later than June 15. Partial payment of taxes assessed under this section shall be due and payable on July 1. The collector shall receive such payments, give a receipt therefor, and credit the amount paid toward the amount of the taxes eventually assessed against the property, in the same manner as prepayments under RSA 80:52-a. A payment of the remainder of the taxes assessed April 1, minus the payment due on July 1 of that year, shall be due and payable December 1. Interest charged on all taxes not paid on or before the date they are due shall be as prescribed in RSA 76:13, except that, when bills for the partial payment under this section are mailed on or after June 1, interest shall not be charged until 30 days after the last bill is mailed.

For the complete RSA please go to:

<http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rsa/html/v/76/76-15-a.htm>

This will be a transition year for both tax payers and tax collector, and we appreciate your patience during this change.



**TREASURER'S REPORT**  
**FISCAL YEAR 2013**

**REVENUE BY DEPARTMENT:**

Tax Collector .....	\$6,013,655
Town Clerk .....	280,985
Selectmen .....	440,252
Building Inspector .....	15,908
Boat Tax .....	5,641
Interest Income .....	2,164

**INTEREST EXPENSE:**

Tax Anticipation Notes .....	\$29,857
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**TOTAL CASH ON HAND 12-31-13 .....\$2,018,797**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Pamela Clemons-Keith  
Town Treasurer

## **AUDITOR'S REPORT**

The Financial Report for the year ending December 31, 2013, was not available at the time of printing, and therefore is not included in this Annual Report.

The auditors, Plodzik and Sanderson of Concord, NH will file the Financial Report and an Audit report when their work is complete. A copy of this Audit report will be available at the Town Office upon completion.

## TOWN EMPLOYEES

<b>Police</b> .....	Ted Colby .....	\$1,135
	Joseph Duchesne .....	5,543
	JoAnne Gayer .....	3,000
	James Hayford .....	1,562
	Robert King .....	1,990
	James Mullen .....	57,889
	Josh Shackford .....	65,393
	Teresa Shackford .....	7,446
	Matt Tyler .....	62,762
<b>Highway</b> .....	Devin Bolduc .....	7,800
	Lance Bolduc .....	36,817
	Scott Brooks, Sr .....	57,692
	Charles Gibbs .....	4,068
	James MacDonald .....	42,670
	Charles Morrill .....	43,178
	Robert Smith .....	49,799
<b>Transfer Station</b> .....	Justin Brooks .....	39,389
	George Stone .....	11,499
<b>Building Inspector</b> .....	Robert Babine .....	10,537
<b>Zoning Officer</b> .....	Edward Hatfield .....	4,367
<b>Office</b> .....	Holly Brooks .....	4,014
	Linda Farinella .....	28,600
	Amanda Feuerborn .....	483
	Karen Hatch .....	49,168
<b>Facilities Custodian</b> .....	Mark McKinley .....	8,936
<b>Planning/ZBA/Conservation</b> ..	Linda Farinella .....	1,414
	Dianne Park .....	1,185
<b>Fire Department</b> .....	Joseph Brabant .....	16,538
	Justin Brooks .....	12,000
	Robert Cunio .....	24,359
<b>Health Officer</b> .....	Frank Evitts .....	401
<b>Welfare Officer</b> .....	Tracy Hayes .....	1,680
<b>Cemetery</b> .....	George Beowe, Jr .....	1,858

## STIPENDS

Fire/Rescue .....	Andrew Bartolini .....	\$1,804
	Tyler Belanger.....	2,542
	George Boewe.....	8
	Joe Brabant .....	2,018
	Rebecca Brabant .....	409
	Sam Conger.....	139
	Rob Cunio .....	3,719
	Mike Eldridge, Jr .....	748
	Caitlin Gillenwater.....	1,402
	Charlie Hatfield.....	15
	Charlie Morrill .....	270
	Graham Prather .....	1,479
	Scott Schwartz .....	93
	Eric Seamans.....	2,011
	Jeffrey Tavares .....	85
	Tom Tozier .....	2,658
	Kevin Wells.....	601

# TOWN OFFICIALS

TOWN OFFICERS	SALARY	FEES	EXPENSES	TOTAL
<b>Selectmen</b>				
Neal Boyle.....	5,000	88	18	5,106
Leslie Babb .....	5,000	88	18	5,106
Scott Cunningham.....	1,250			1,250
Ernest Day Jr.....	3,750	88	372	4,210
<b>Town Clerk</b>				
A. Elizabeth Priebe .....	5,000	12,493	485	17,978
<b>Deputy Town Clerk</b>				
Sue Brown .....	2,723		68	2,791
<b>Treasurer</b>				
Pamela Clemons-Keith.....	3,000		1,563	4,563
<b>Tax Collector</b>				
Ann Babb .....	3,000	9,493	5,391	17,884
<b>Deputy Tax Collector</b>				
Connor Babb.....	294			294
<b>Supervisors of Checklist</b>				
Daniel Brooks.....	469			469
Patricia McCoy.....	546			546
Carol Stansell.....	164			164
<b>Moderator</b>				
Donald Johnson .....	179		42	221
<b>Trustee of Trust Funds</b>				
Patricia McCoy.....				50
Eric Bossidy .....				50
Kimberly Reis .....				50



# VENDORS

## MAJOR SERVICE SUPPLIERS

AAA Police Supply (PD).....	\$1,669
AB Aquatics (FAISC) .....	8,700
Accu-temp Services Inc (GG).....	1,262
Allstate Asphalt (HD) .....	49,649
American Test Center (FD).....	300
Amerigas (GG).....	4,658
Andrews Auto Body, Inc (FD).....	13,656
Anmar Plastering (GG) .....	2,885
Apex Plumbing & Heating Inc (GG).....	1,033
Aquatic Control Technology Inc. (GG) .....	13,475
Atlantic Recycling Equipment (FD).....	2,458
Avitar Associates of NE, Inc. (GG) .....	6,095
BB Chain (HD) .....	1,354
Beauregard Equipment Inc (HD) .....	854
Ben's Uniforms (FD).....	1,341
Bergeron Protective Clothing (FD).....	2,634
BII Fence & Guardrail Repair (TS).....	2,400
Bluetarp Financial Inc (HD) .....	1,617
Boyle's Family Market Inc (FD).....	368
Brocktalk Education (FD).....	1,500
GW Brooks & Sons, Inc. (HD).....	66,024
Brooks Jr., Scott (HD).....	648
Brooks Sr., Scott (HD) .....	47,981
Brookside Building Services (GG).....	1,355
Business Management Systems, Inc. (GG) .....	6,037
Carroll County Registry of Deeds (GG) .....	568
California Contractors Suppliers (HD) .....	455
Care Plus Ambulance (GG) .....	6,167
Carol Coppola & Associates (GG).....	610
CB Kentworth, Inc. (HD) .....	72,852
Central Paper Products (GG) .....	570
Century Manufacturing Corp (FD).....	690
Charrette's Flooring (GG) .....	1,176
CN Brown (GG).....	35,275
Coleman Concrete (HD) .....	2,140
Coleman Rental & Supply, Inc. (HD).....	5,566
AJ Coleman & Son, Inc. (HD).....	6,051
Conway Daily Sun (GG).....	1,884
Creative Product Sourcing Inc (PD).....	513
Crest Auto World (PD).....	1,142
Crossway Repair (HD).....	710
Devine, Millimet & Branch (GG) .....	1,000

DLG Enterprises Inc. (HD).....	1,500
Diamond Ledge Electronics (HD/FD) .....	310
Diesel Works, LLC (HD) .....	3,638
Donahue, Tucker & Ciandella, PLLC (GG) .....	7,533
Eaton's Cleaning & Restoration (GG) .....	493
Efficiency Productions Inc. (HD) .....	840
Elliot Enterprises, Inc. (FD) .....	1,043
Emergency Medical Products, Inc. (FD) .....	1,557
FW Webb (HD) .....	493
Howard P. Fairfield, LLC. (HD) .....	1,554
Fairpoint Communications (GG) .....	7,850
Firematic Supply Co., Inc. (FD) .....	3,217
Flag Shop of VT (GG) .....	393
Foremost Promotions (FD) .....	746
Forestry Supplies Inc. (FD) .....	512
Freedom Automotive (PD).....	1,637
Freedom Market (PD).....	1,068
Gaftek, LLC (HD).....	5,179
Galls (PD) .....	1,098
Gemini Sign & Design LTD (PD) .....	475
Granite State Minerals, Inc. (HD).....	24,268
Hambrook Land Surveyors (GG) .....	600
Harleysville Life Insurance Co. (GG).....	7,065
HEB Engineers (GG) .....	1,465
Henderson, Walter (GG) .....	785
Hiway Safety Systems Inc (HD).....	5,000
Independent Color Press (GG) .....	304
Indian Mound Hardware (HD, FD).....	1,107
Industrial Traffic Line, Inc (HD).....	5,370
Information Management Corp. (PD).....	1,690
Integral EMS Educators (FD) .....	1,100
International Salt (HD) .....	8,339
J.O. Cook & Sons, LLC (HD) .....	5,810
Katahdin Analytical Services (TS) .....	540
BH Keith Associates (CC) .....	8,402
Laconia-Needham Electric Supply (HD).....	1,370
Lakeside Security (HD) .....	2,970
Lakes Region Fence(GG) .....	1,175
Lakes Region Fire Apparatus, Inc. (FD).....	15,579
Law Office of Paul M. Monziona, PC (GG).....	5,538
Michael Lavoie (GG).....	415
Lawson Products (HD) .....	1,730
Low Maintenance Supplies LLC (FD) .....	611
Jesse E. Lyman, Inc (GG).....	74,613
M&B Dion Enterprises Inc. (GG).....	397

Macmulkin (PD) .....	29,489
MacDonald Motors (HD).....	842
Maple Ridge Septic Service (GG) .....	2,791
K. Mason Electrical LLC (GG) .....	541
SA McLean & Sons (HD) .....	825
Michie Corp (HD) .....	32,235
Minuteman Press (GG) .....	3,520
Motorola (PD) .....	3,021
Mullen, James dba Taylor Lawn & Landscape (GG).....	576
Neptune Uniforms & Equipment (PD).....	1,514
New England Barricade Co. (HD) .....	1,031
New England Embroidery Co. (PD/FD).....	791
New England Emergency Equipment (FD).....	1,360
New England Lift Co. (GG) .....	300
New Hampshire Lakes (FAISC) .....	300
NFPA (FD) .....	300
Nicom Coatings Corp (HD) .....	12,300
Nix, Stephan (GG) .....	13,765
North Coast Services LLC (TS) .....	2,420
North Conway Ambulance Service (GG) .....	30,833
Ossipee Aggregates (HD) .....	6,189
Ossipee Auto Parts (HD).....	6,060
Ossipee Concerned Citizens (GG).....	2,028
Ossipee Lake Dam Authority (GG) .....	5,794
Ossipee Mountain Electronics (FD, HD) .....	15,108
Painter by the Pond (GG).....	2,700
Paks Inc (GG) .....	1,662
Peoples United Bank (GG) .....	96,450
JP Pest Services (HS).....	833
Pine Tree Engineering, Inc. (TS).....	1,600
Pine Tree Waste (TS) .....	91,449
Plodzic & Sanderson (GG) .....	18,125
Pope Security Systems LLC (GG).....	893
Porter Office Machines, Corp (GG) .....	904
Postmaster Freedom (GG) .....	2,432
Presby Steel (HD) .....	961
Primex (GG) .....	40,281
PSNH (GG) .....	24,896
R & D Paving (HD) .....	75,832
John E. Roberts Excavation (HD).....	25,133
Rymes Heating Oils, Inc. (GG).....	807
Sanels Autoparts Co (HD) .....	633
Schaeffer's Specialized Lubricants (HD) .....	2,218
Scrub Oak Scramblers, Inc. (CC) .....	595
Silver Lake Home Center (HD).....	374

Skehan Home Center (HD)	452
E.W. Sleeper (HD)	3,086
Southworth-Milton Inc. (HD)	326,175
Staples (GG)	5,167
Sullivan Tire Co. (FD)	675
Superior Insulation (FD)	3,840
Sarah Owen Tabor (GG)	720
Taillon Crane Services, Inc. (HD)	3,200
Teaticket Locksmith, LLC (GG)	300
Team EJP (HD)	1,573
Tennis Courts of NH (GG)	4,705
Time Warner Cable (GG)	3,578
Treasurer State of New Hampshire (HD)	4,975
TRH Equipment Repair, LLC (HD)	345
Unifirst Corp (HD)	6,846
Viking Cives USA(HD)	51,028
Verizon Wireless (FD/PD)	2,060
Water Industries, Inc. (HD,TS)	2,331
Welch Landscaping & Property (GG)	2,932
RB Wood & Associates, LLC (GG)	28,020
WSB Technologies (GG)	1,536
4 Guys (FD)	924

- CC - Conservation Commission
- HD - Highway Department
- GG - General Government
- FAISC - Freedom Aquatic Invasive Species Committee
- FD - Fire Department
- HS - Historical Society
- PD - Police Department
- TS - Transfer Station

## FREEDOM PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Freedom Public Library has had another busy and successful year. We made a leap into new circulation and cataloging software which allows greater patron access to their accounts among many other benefits. In 2013 we had 12,244 patron visits with 14,340 items borrowed. The greatest area of growth was a 38% increase in borrowing of eBooks and audiobooks, which are free for patrons with a valid library card. This year we cataloged the pamphlets and books owned by the Freedom Historical Society. These items now appear in the library's catalog.

Patrons were able to borrow passes providing free or reduced admission to eight area museums and attractions. New passes this year included ones for the Portland Museum of Art, Tin Mountain Conservation, Castle in the Clouds and Strawberry Banke. We continue to provide access to a number of research databases provided by the NH State Library. We also purchased two genealogy databases, HeritageQuest and Ancestry Library Edition, and Career Cruising database. Our public access computers and free Wi-Fi draw many to the library. Several community groups regularly use our space for meetings.

The library offered six lectures for adults this year, most made possible by volunteers and financial help from the Friends of the Library. We offered two adult classes and two study groups. The library collaborated with other community groups to put on Christmas Walk in Freedom Village. In the summer, we hosted three professional children's programs. Our Winter Film Series continues to be popular. For a second year, we offered supper following each of the films for those who wanted to have a meal and a chance to discuss the films.

Ongoing programs include monthly pizza & movie nights with snacks and activities provided for kids who come early from school, weekly preschool storytimes, monthly adult book club meetings and a year round children's book club. We added a new teen book group this year and offered our first teen program during the school year.

We were heartened by strong participation in the Summer Reading Program for kids, teens and adults, a 35% increase. As always, we offered a variety of weekly activities throughout the summer for kids and teens. While all programs were well attended, the writing workshop and teen nights showed large increases over 2012. The library received a grant from the Books, Kids and the Arts Foundation to help pay for the Summer Reading Program kick-off performer at the Freedom Elementary School.

The library maintains a close relationship with the elementary school. Our director, Elizabeth Rhymer, was a guest reader at two different school events. The Kindergarten, 2nd and 3rd grade classes visit the library every three weeks.



The library stays in touch with the community through its e-newsletter, Facebook page, website, and the newspapers' Freedom Column. We encourage all Freedom residents - year round and seasonal - to get a library card and take advantage of all the resources available at our beautiful and welcoming library!

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Robinson, Chair  
Wendell Packard, Secretary  
Tom Luke, Treasurer  
Ann Pierce, Alternate

**Assets 01/01/2013**

Checking .....	\$18,052.05
Money Market .....	7,642.34
Centennial Fund .....	25.00
Trustees Account .....	19,272.95
Scully Fund.....	900.25
Cayford Fund.....	6,698.00
Williams Fund .....	19,294.61
<b>Total Assets 12/31/2013 .....</b>	<b>\$71,885.20</b>

**Receipts 2013**

Book Sales .....	\$997.16
CD Interest .....	131.74
Conscience Fund .....	353.00
Fax & Copier .....	435.70
Friends Donation .....	5,870.00
Interest Income .....	28.98
Unanticipated Gifts.....	808.00
Other Income .....	1,316.39
Capital Funds.....	1,025.00
Town Appropriation.....	68,065.00
<b>Total Receipts 2013.....</b>	<b>\$79,030.97</b>

**Total Assets + Receipts 2013.....\$150,916.17**

**Expenditures 2013**

Books.....	\$8,389.06
Computer/Copier .....	4,301.61
Dues & Conferences.....	597.00
Electricity .....	2,979.79
Grounds .....	2,381.70
Heat.....	3,210.08
Maintenance .....	5,866.49
Other Expense .....	161.37
Periodicals .....	428.54
Postage.....	285.10
Programs.....	1,514.41
Supplies .....	2,332.73
Taxes.....	3,292.33
Telephone .....	668.58
Wages.....	41,884.14
Water.....	525.00
<b>Total Expenditures 2013 .....</b>	<b>\$78,817.93</b>

**Assets 12/31/2013**

Checking .....	\$20,299.28
Money Market .....	6,508.40
Centennial Funds .....	25.00
Trustees Account .....	19,272.95
Cayford Fund.....	6,698.00
Williams Fund .....	19,294.61
Total Assets 12/31/2013 .....	\$72,098.24

**Total Expenditures & Assets .....\$150,916.17**

**Memorial Funds Held:**

Fritz Bequests .....	\$2,415.01
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# FIRE DEPARTMENT

2013 was one of the busiest years for the Freedom Fire-Rescue Department. There were 299 calls for service.

Due to the economy and the cost of heating fuels, people have been forced to use alternative heating systems, which are not always installed correctly or serviced properly. This has caused and increase in the number of carbon monoxide poisonings. Each year more than 150 people die of carbon monoxide poisoning. It is recommended that:

1. Every year have a professional inspect and service all fuel burning heating systems.
2. Install carbon monoxide detectors in hallways near bedrooms in each sleeping area.
3. Check carbon monoxide detector batteries monthly and change batteries twice a year along with your smoke detector batteries.

With that being said, this year the Freedom Fire-Rescue Department is looking to purchase a handheld carbon monoxide monitor known as the RAD57.

The RAD57 is a handheld oxygen saturation and carbon monoxide measuring system. Recognition is the key to immediate on scene treatment. Early recognition allows treatment of carbon monoxide poisoning to begin in the field, greatly reducing the immediate and long term health effects to the public and firefighters. The RAD57 will be used to evaluate residents that may have been exposed to carbon monoxide, and for firefighters during rehab. We will be able to detect if there has been no exposure, a mild exposure or a significant exposure immediately. Mild and significant exposure can be just as deadly over time untreated. The RAD57 will be able to detect an exposure in seconds by placing a probe on a finger and seconds later having a reading.

Fire permits are required from April 1st until there is significant snow cover. To obtain a permit or if you have a question for the Fire-Rescue Department please call 539-4261 or come by the station Monday through Friday 7am to 3pm.

I would like to thank all department heads and employees for their cooperation and support and look forward to working with you in the future. I would also like to thank the towns people for their continued support and look forward to their support for many years to come.

And finally, I would like to thank the men and women of this department with whom I work with on a daily basis. The town's people should be proud of these individuals who protect life and property on a daily basis and sacrifice time away from their families.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Justin S. Brooks  
Chief Freedom Fire-Rescue

"The funny thing about firemen is...Night and day they are always firemen."  
Ronald Bartel

**FIRE - RESCUE CALLS**

Structure Fire .....	4
Mutual Aid Fires.....	13
Alarm Activations.....	26
Illegal Burns .....	4
Vehicle Fires .....	3
Vegetation Fires .....	6
Medical Aids.....	146
Members Transporting with Ambulance .....	15
Motor Vehicle Accidents .....	20
Service Calls.....	22
Trees/Wires Down.....	18
Transformer Fire.....	1
Severe Weather .....	2
No Responder Available .....	6
Chimney Fire .....	7
Police Standby .....	4
Mutual Aid Rescue .....	3
Missing Person Searches .....	3
Good Intent Call .....	4
Gun Shot Call.....	1
CO Calls .....	6
Town of Eaton Calls.....	8
Daytime Calls 7am-7pm.....	187
Nighttime Calls 7pm-7am .....	112
 Total .....	 299
 Duty Crew Responses .....	 92



## Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

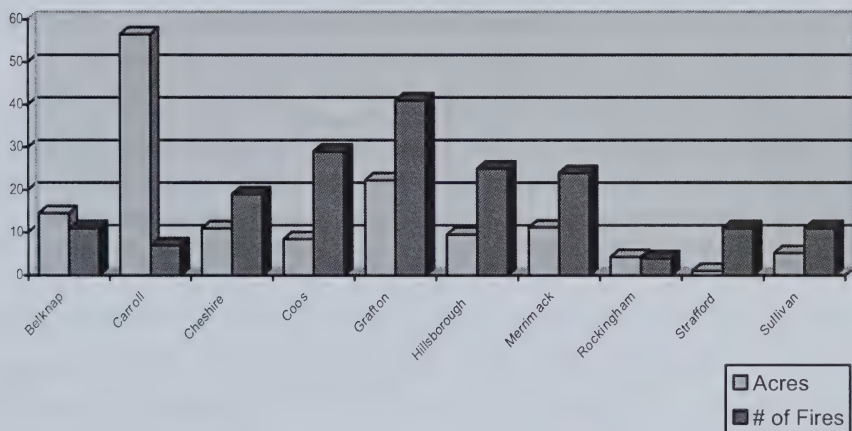
Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands, work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning, unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 603-271-1370 or [www.des.state.nh.us](http://www.des.state.nh.us) for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at [www.nhdf.org](http://www.nhdf.org).

This past fire season started in late March with the first reported fire on March 26th 2013. April, which is the traditional start to our spring fire season, started very dry with little measurable precipitation until the middle of the month. Approximately 70% of our reportable fires occurred during the months' of April and May. The largest fire was 51 acres on April 29th. 81% of our fires occurred on class 3 or 4 fire danger days. By mid May, extensive rains began which provided us with a very wet summer overall. We had a longer fall fire season due to drier than normal conditions following leaf fall. Fortunately most of these fires were small and quickly extinguished. The statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers continues to operate on Class III or higher fire danger days. Our fire lookouts are credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers fire spotting was supplemented by the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2013 season threatened structures, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at [www.firewise.org](http://www.firewise.org). Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department, and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

# 2013 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of November 2013)  
 (figures do not include fires under the jurisdiction of the  
 White Mountain National Forest)

COUNTY STATISTICS		
County	Acres	# of Fires
Belknap	14.5	11
Carroll	56.5	7
Cheshire	11	19
Coos	8.5	29
Grafton	22.3	41
Hillsborough	9.5	25
Merrimack	11.2	24
Rockingham	4.3	4
Strafford	1	11
Sullivan	5.2	11



## CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

		Total	Fires	Total Acres
Arson	1	2013	182	144
Debris	69	2012	318	206
Campfire	12	2011	125	42
Children	1	2010	360	145
Smoking	10	2009	334	173
Railroad	0			
Equipment	4			
Lightning	0			
Misc.*	85	(*Misc.: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)		

**ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRE**

## POLICE REPORT

This was a good year for the Police Department. There has been a slight up tick in calls for service to a little over three thousand. This means that on average the Freedom Police Department receives approximately nine requests per day for an officer to do something law enforcement related. A single call for service can be anything from a house alarm that takes a few minutes to handle to an aggravated felonious sexual assault that can take hundreds of man hours over the course of years before it draws to a conclusion. We handle a plethora of calls for service including but not limited to burglaries, assaults, domestic violence, juvenile complaints, drug offenses, thefts, credit card fraud, criminal mischief (vandalism), disorderly conduct, motor vehicle offenses and numerous others that would be too lengthy to write about in this report. I would not be able to efficiently run the department if it were not for the help of so many people, first and foremost the citizens of the Town of Freedom. It doesn't take a genius to figure out that if you don't have the support of the people it makes law enforcement a much more difficult undertaking.

Usually there is only one Freedom Police Officer on duty at any given time. We rely heavily on help from other agencies and not just other law enforcement agencies. We currently have an excellent relationship with the Fire Department, Highway Department and of course the Sanitation Department. I also want to thank the ladies in the Town Office for all the things they do for the Police Department throughout the year. The relationship between other law enforcement county wide is the best I have ever seen it. I recently attended a supervisors training at the Carroll County Courthouse where there was a supervisor from every agency in Carroll County their. Everybody is facing difficult fiscal times and everybody is pooling resources and realizing how much more we can get accomplished by working together. One perfect example of this occurred this summer here in Freedom when a four year old boy left his home to chase after his dog. A motorist driving along Route 25 happened to see the boy run across the road. He thought this was strange and called 911. Within minutes of my arrival and the discovery of what was going on there were dozens of local officers, Deputy Sheriff's and State Troopers there or en route there. Our fire department arrived very quickly with their ATV's to aid in the search and a boat was on the way from another fire department to help search the adjoining river. The State Police had given authorization for their helicopter to join the search and a local citizen had seen the activity and joined in the search with his ATV. The child and his dog were found safe and sound in the woods and returned to their very concerned family. This is just one of hundreds stories I could tell of calls for service that happened over the past year in Freedom.

One thing I heard a lot of in 2013 and have heard for years is the flow of information between the Police Department and the citizens, or the media is not open enough and people do not know what the Police Department is doing or does.

I completely believe that the public has a right to know about the operation of the police department and the press has a free speech interest in reporting that information. Additionally, I have a strong interest in educating the public about crimes that are being solved, alerting the community to potential dangers, and soliciting community cooperation in appropriate cases. However, there are many rules and laws that prohibit me from releasing information. For instance, both the state and federal constitution forbid law enforcement officers from making statements that will "materially prejudice" a trial. The purpose of that rule is to protect the integrity of trials by making it possible for jurors to decide a case based on what they see and hear in a courtroom rather than what they learn through the media. There is also the H.I.P.A.A. Law which is a privacy act which protects personal medical information. Of course, anything involving a juvenile is protected by law and I am audited yearly by the state to make sure that I am in compliance. I would also assert that by disclosing certain information it interferes with law enforcement by chilling the willingness of the public to contact the police to report criminal activity or to cooperate with the police. I cannot tell you how many times over the course of a year that people are reluctant to speak with the police because they are concerned it is going to be in the newspapers or people are going to find out.

Balancing these competing interests is very difficult in law enforcement. Freedom is a small town and news travels fast. I try to release as much information as quickly as I can. I have an open door policy at my office and I am usually only a phone call away.

For Emergencies - Dial 911

Non-Emergency - Call 539-8268 or 539-2284

Respectfully Submitted,  
Chief Josh L. Shackford



## TRANSFER STATION

In 2013 we had 869.12 tons removed from the facility. The break down is as follows in tons:

MSW or trash: .....	503.16
Demo: .....	179.02
Recycle: .....	170.27
Clothes: .....	4.19
Electronics .....	6.63
Scrap Iron: .....	5.85

During the 4th of July holiday we ran a four day schedule. When the Transfer Station opened that Thursday morning all five dumpsters were empty. By closing on Monday July 7th all were full. In total the Transfer Station had received 46.8 tons of material for an average of 1.3 tons per hour. July set the all time mark for the amount of material received at the Transfer Station, 127.83 tons to be exact. We were open 16 days in July so that makes an average of 7.9 tons per day.

In 2013 the Town entered into a new contract with Pine Tree Waste resulting in a much lower price for material disposal which is reflected in the 2014 budget.

"If everyone is moving forward together then success takes  
care of itself." *Henry Ford*

Respectfully submitted,

Justin S. Brooks

Your Friendly Home Town Transfer Station Manager/Operator

**Summer Hours Begin 05/29/14**  
Tues, Thurs, Saturday and Sunday 8-5

**Winter Hours Begin 09/06/14**  
Tuesday and Saturday 8-4; Sunday 9-4

### CLOSINGS

Easter 04/20/2014

Tuesday 05/27/14

Tuesday 09/02/14

### SPECIAL HOURS

Memorial Day 05/26/14 8am-5pm

July 4, 2014 8am - 5pm

Labor Day 09/01/2013 8am - 5pm



## 2013 Municipal Solid Waste & Recycling Report

2013 Months	# of Hauls	Municipal Solid Waste	# of Hauls	Construction Debris (Demo)	# of Hauls	Zero-Sort Recycling	Total Hauls	Total Tons
January	2	22.56	2	9.94	2	11.71	6	44.21
February	3	35.03	0	0.00	1	6.07	4	41.10
March	2	25.30	2	14.14	1	5.31	5	44.75
April	3	33.82	2	12.11	3	16.07	8	62.00
May	4	46.27	2	13.88	2	10.32	8	70.47
June	3	38.41	3	20.74	3	15.85	9	75.00
July	7	83.37	2	16.39	5	28.07	14	127.83
August	5	65.52	3	25.17	4	23.72	12	114.41
September	3	40.95	1	9.79	2	12.30	6	63.04
October	4	48.52	4	33.09	4	20.10	12	101.71
November	3	33.75	2	15.59	2	11.13	7	60.47
December	3	29.66	1	8.18	2	9.62	6	47.46
<b>Total Hauls</b>	<b>42</b>		<b>24</b>		<b>31</b>		<b>97</b>	
<b>Total Tons</b>		<b>503.16</b>		<b>179.02</b>		<b>170.27</b>		<b>852.45</b>

## BOARD OF SELECTMEN

We want to thank all of you who volunteer on the Freedom boards and committees. Without you, the Town could not function.

The year 2013 was another busy year for the Selectmen with many accomplishments and a few failures. The most important accomplishment was holding the Tax rate down. This was a goal agreed upon by the Selectmen early in the year. It became a driving force behind many of our decisions. This involved much arguing, disagreeing, working with the Department Heads, and finding a compromise that we all could agree upon. The result was a saving to the landowners of Freedom. In October, the Cell Tower finally became operational, at least for those who have AT&T. The rest of us will have to wait a while.

What follows below is a monthly digest of the major items that came before the Board.

**January:** A yield harvest was authorized in the Town Forest. Thanks to a donation from Bill Elliott, we were able to install new windows in the doors at Town Hall. We encumbered monies to repair and repave the Village Fire Station and the Town office. Chief Shackford completed a plan with the County to handle Lakeview incidents. A State Matching Grant for Milfoil eradication was obtained. Firefighter Tom Tozier received an award from Liberty Mutual Insurance Company for an Ice Water Rescue.

**February:** Regular Monday evening meetings spent preparing the Warrant. The Selectmen held information meetings at the School and at Town Hall, to discuss the various warrant articles that appeared on the Town ballot in March.

**March:** Approved back ground checks for specific Job Titles. Ernie Day Jr. elected to the Board, replacing Scott Cunningham who chose not to run. Boyle elected as chairperson of Selectmen. Approved and ordered new police cruiser. Approved purchasing additional security cameras for Town Garage.

**April:** We authorized Mark McKinney to replace the carpets in the entryway at Town Hall. The board signed the annual Fire and Rescue Agreement with the Town of Eaton. The Board agreed to participate in the reverse 911 program through the State. The BOS authorized Scott to purchase a new Highway Truck and a new dump truck body. We approved the plan for Memorial Day activities in conjunction with the schoolchildren. We also voted to hold a BOS meeting at the school during the school day allowing the students to participate in the process. The summer landscaping contract awarded to Matt Welch. The painting of the bleachers at the Town Ball Field was authorized. The work is to be done by volunteers. A citizen donated the paint.

**May:** The Seagrave Fire Truck repair is complete. We approved the purchasing of asphalt for the roads, long line striping for the roads and upgrades of the insulation at Town office.

**June:** The BOS held its meeting at the school. The students participated; they asked many very good questions. We implemented an e-mail alert system for Agendas, town updates, and emergency alerts. Wireless Internet is now available at Town Hall and Town Office. Rental of Excavator and Roller approved for road maintenance. The BOS, Planning Board, and Zoning Board visited the Cell tower site. Many discrepancies noted. Mr. Stevens representing the Cell Tower builder, reported AT&T would be the first on the Tower, with Verizon, T-Mobile and Sprint to follow.

**July:** The BOS signed a contract with Pine Tree Waste for single stream recycling at the Transfer Station. (A considerable amount of money was saved.) The Heritage Committee put Town Hall on the register of Historic Places. We purchased a new culvert to replace the failed culvert on Ossipee Lake Road.

**August:** The Selectmen directed Scott to upgrade the Boat ramp at Loon Lake. We authorized the repair of the alarm system at Town Hall and repaving the yard at Town Office. We agreed to the Milfoil eradication program on Danforth Bay. We signed a contract with C.N. Brown for fuel for vehicles and buildings.

**September:** The repairs to the Town Hall ceiling were authorized. The bids for repair of the Cistern came in; all were rejected as they significantly exceeded the monies set aside for this project. Requests for proposals for Town Auditor were sent out.

**October:** The cell tower became operational for AT&T customers.

**November:** The BOS authorized repairs to Engine 2. The BOS agreed to meet with surrounding Towns to develop long-term Ambulance service contract. Budget reviews for all departments conducted.

**December:** Planning Board and Library Budgets reviewed. The board reviewed the Towns investment policies. We explored the possibility of breaking taxation into a twice a year format.

Vachon Clukay hired as Town auditor. The board placed Master Plan update on the warrant.

Details for all of these events may be found in the Select Board minutes, available on the Town web site [www.townoffreedom.net](http://www.townoffreedom.net).

Respectfully Submitted,  
Neal E. Boyle, Chairman

# PLANNING BOARD REPORT

The planning board had a quiet year in terms of applications-one merger of lots and one informal discussion of a subdivision. We had a joint meeting with the Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) to discuss the accessory use article on the zoning ordinance and continue to work with the Code Enforcement Officer and the ZBA to identify and clarify areas of the ordinance that they find difficult to use.

The board spent its time working on proposals for amending the zoning ordinance and you will see four questions on the ballot on March 11. Here are explanations of these proposals:

1. "Amend Appendix A to change the zoning district assignment from Residential/Light Commercial to Village Residential along Route 153 from the Effingham Town line to lots 9 and 11 on Map 44 inclusive, and also including lot 1-2 and 6 on Map 44"

If you answer yes to this question, a section of Route 153 from the bridge at the Effingham Town Line to map 44 lot 9 (29 Eaton Road) and map 44 lot 11 (30 Eaton Road) will be moved from the Residential/Light Commercial District to the Village Residential District. Residents of the area requested this change and the planning board agreed that this area has a village character.

2. "Amend the language and rules in Article 3, Section 304.6.5, Special Exception Standards for Tree Cutting in the Shorefront District by altering the ordinance's standards for obtaining a special exception for cutting and removing trees and natural vegetation in the Shorefront District."

If you vote yes, two changes will occur. 1) The existing language in the ordinance, which refers to a state law by number-RSA 483-B, will be changed to list the actual language of the law. This intent of this law, the Shoreland Water Quality Protection Act, is to protect that water quality of the state's lakes and rivers. The law sets standards for tree cutting to protect the water from run off that can result when trees are cut to excess. The amendment places the language of the state law that landowners must follow into the Freedom zoning ordinance. The addition of the specific language of the law results in no changes to what landowners can do on their property.

2) This change does have an impact on Freedom landowners. Under the current rules, any landowner who wishes to cut trees in the shorefront district must go to the ZBA for a special exception. This change will allow the Code Enforcement Officer to grant permission to landowners to cut trees if the cutting of trees is limited and still within state guidelines. It also would allow the Code Enforcement Officer to give landowners



permits to cut dead, diseased, or unsafe trees (within limits) without the need for the landowner to go to the ZBA for approval. The intent of the planning board for both of these changes is to make the process easier for landowners while still protecting water quality.

3. "Amend Article 18, section 1802 Definitions, to add the following definition of ground cover."

You will see the definition of ground cover on the ballot. It comes from the language of the state law. Since "ground cover" will be in the text of the zoning ordinance, the planning board is proposing to add this to the definitions so that landowners, town officials, and town boards will have this information for future reference. It goes with #2 above, but needs to be voted on since it changes the language of the ordinance.

4. "Amend Article 3, section 309, Accessory Uses, to establish more restrictive standards for granting a special exception to operate commercial business uses as an accessory use in residential districts."

Article 309 currently reads:

309.1 Accessory uses are uses customarily incidental to the main (primary) use and shall include but not be limited to the following:

- A. Garage or parking space for occupants and visitors.
- B. The outdoor parking of vehicles maintained primarily for hire. Such vehicle to be parked in the side or rear yard and not to exceed a Gross Vehicle Weight of 12 tons in the residential zone. Amended 3/08/05
- C. The outdoor storage or parking of recreational equipment including travel trailers, pick up coaches, motor home, boats and boat trailers, snowmobiles, or similar equipment provided said equipment is parked or stored in the side or rear yard.
- D. The raising of domestic animals, not for gainful business.
- E. Home recreational activities, including tennis courts, swimming pools and the like.
- F. Fences and mailboxes.

The language "shall include but not be limited to" can be interpreted narrowly or broadly. Under the current ordinance, if there is disagreement about the meaning of this language, the ZBA will interpret the ordinance. The planning board's intent in adding language to this section is to establish more restrictive standards and to strike a balance between the landowners' right to an accessory use (which exists in common law) with the right of neighbors and the community at large to the peaceful enjoyment of their property.

The planning board's proposal specifies what landowners can do without coming to the ZBA for a special exception. These standards include limits on employees who can work on the property (no more than 2), use of hazardous materials, area of the lot to be used for the accessory use (10%), storage of materials, parking of vehicles (not in setbacks), and others.

If an accessory use exceeds any of the standards, the landowner must go to the ZBA. When this happens, the abutters are notified individually and all town residents are noticed ten days in advance. The goal of the planning board is to give all parties an opportunity to know what is happening and to provide input into any decision that might affect them.

(Please see the full language at the town office or on the town web site.)

Respectfully Submitted,  
Anne Cunningham  
Chairman

**NOTICE OF MEETINGS**  
**2014**

The regular monthly meetings of the **Freedom Planning Board** are listed below. Meetings are held on the third Thursday at the Freedom Town Hall commencing at 7:00 pm.

Completed applications must be submitted by the closing date noted. Items submitted either after this date or incompletely filled out, will not be placed on the agenda; such applications will be deferred.

<u>Application Submittal</u> <u>Closing Deadline</u>	<u>Regular Planning Board</u> <u>Meeting</u>
December 26, 2013	January 16, 2014
January 30, 2014	February 20, 2014
February 27, 2014	March 20, 2014
March 27, 2014	April 17, 2014
April 24, 20112	May 15, 2014
May 29, 2014	June 19, 2014
June 26, 2014	July 17, 2014
July 31, 2014	August 21, 2014
August 28, 2014	September 18, 2014
September 25, 2014	October 16, 2014
October 30, 2014	November 20, 2014
November 26, 2014	December 18, 2014



## ZONING OFFICER

The 2013 zoning year was busy at times mostly with additions to existing homes, repairing of retaining walls, requests for tree removal from shorefront property, and the altering of existing structures for retirement. My role is to help applicants complete the necessary permit applications.

Sometimes questions arise regarding the necessity of appearing before the Board of Adjustment (ZBA). There will be opportunity on town meeting day 2014 to vote for changes in the town Zoning Ordinance regarding business opportunities in Freedom and tree removal on shorefront properties. These changes support greater business opportunities as expressed by the 2005 Community Survey. Permitting of the removal of dangerous trees from sites near lakes and the Ossipee River will hopefully be simplified, resulting in fewer applicants having to appear before the ZBA.

Zoning rules represent the wishes of the citizens which participate in the process of creating and supporting them. Each inhabitant can go to meetings or communicate his/her thoughts to town representatives. Improvements to the town Zoning Ordinance can result from individual initiative. I encourage you to be part of the process.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ned Hatfield  
Zoning Officer

# **ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

## **REPORT**

The Zoning Board of Adjustment reviewed 20 cases in 2013; nine of those applications included requests for dimensional variances (requests to build new structures or additions which are located at least in part in the side, front, or rear setbacks). Many of the applications were modified by the applicant to satisfy concerns of the Board. All were granted approval with the exception of the one case still open and one withdrawal. The Board also;

- Granted a special exception to allow Eugene Corbett to replace an existing retaining wall that required erosion control in the Shore Front District.
- Granted a special exception to allow WEP Family Realty Trust to construct a home with erosion control in the Shore Front District.
- Granted a special exception to allow Steve Thurston to cut trees, expand existing home and install new septic in the Shore Front District.
- Granted a special exception to the Richard Staples Trust to allow removal of trees to rebuild existing deck with proper erosion control in the Shore Front District.
- Granted a special exception to allow Don Silke to remove trees within the Shore Front District.
- Granted a special exception to allow Richard Previer to remove trees and replace two failed retaining walls in the Shore Front District.
- Granted a special exception to allow Christopher Mulcahy a wholesale auto mobile dealer office.
- Granted a special exception to allow Linda Salafia Werner to cut trees within 75' of the Shore Front reference line.
- Granted a special exception to allow David Caplan to construct a perched beach, repair an existing porch and walkway in the Shore Front District.
- Granted a special exception to allow Robin Buhner to replace a failed septic within 125' of wetlands.
- Granted a special exception to Gordon Broz to construct a garage requiring erosion control in the Shore Front District.
- Granted a special exception to Grant Anderson to construct a new home, garage and expand an existing cabin requiring erosion control in the Shore Front District.
- Granted a special exception to Jon Comeford to cut trees for a new home in the Shore Front District.
- Granted a special exception to Frank Lalumiere to remove trees for construction of steps, swale, retaining wall and level lip spreader in the Shore Front District.
- Granted a special exception to Gabrielle Fecteau to cut trees and remove stumps in the Shore Front District.
- Granted a special exception to Todd Dickinson to reconstruct steps requiring erosion control in the Shore Front District.

Special exceptions are uses that are allowed provided criteria outlined in the Town Zoning Ordinance are met.

Respectfully submitted,  
Scott Lees Chairman

**NOTICE OF MEETINGS**  
**2014**

<b>Application Submittal <u>Closing Deadline</u></b>	<b>Regular ZBA <u>Meeting</u></b>
January 13, 2014	January 28, 2014
February 10, 2014	February 25, 2014
March 10, 2014	March 25, 2014
April 7, 2014	April 22, 2014
May 12, 2014	May 27, 2014
June 9, 2014	June 24, 2014
July 7, 2014	July 22, 2014
August 11, 2014	August 26, 2014
September 8, 2014	September 23, 2014
October 14, 2014	October 28, 2014
November 10, 2014	November 25, 2014
December 1, 2014	December 16, 2014

BUILDING CODE REPORT

Building Permits and new houses are still on the upswing in Freedom. Contrary to the dip in construction of surrounding areas, which means this town is an interesting place in which to reside or vacation.

So far in 2014 housing starts and other projects look promising and we can only hope that this is a step in the a positive direction.

I am sure the town will excel in any endeavors it sets out on because of the attention given by town government and its residents.

The work load for the past two years is as follows:

	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
Permits Issued.....	139	171
Permit Fees .....	\$16,381	\$15,880
Fines Collected .....	\$550	0
Single Family Houses.....	14	17
Value of Construction .....	\$4,694,100	\$4,614,900
Inspections Performed.....	133	150
Stop Work Orders Issued.....	2	2

I am into year five as your Building Inspector and as always it has been a pleasure.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Robert M. Babine  
Building Code Officer

## **FREEDOM CONSERVATION COMMISSION (FCC)**

*Chairman, R.A. Oram*

## **FOREST ADVISORY COMMITTEE (FAC)**

*Chairman, Rob Hatch*

## **FREEDOM AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES COMMITTEE (FAISC)**

*Chairman, Jim McElroy*

### **FCC**

In 1963 the Conservation Commission Enabling Act was passed by the New Hampshire General Court (legislative body). Chapter 36A of the NH Revised Statutes Annotated (RSA) governs all conservation commission activities.

Conservation can be approached from the local level; in 1981 the Freedom Conservation Commission was established.

- Goals: To develop long term plans and strategies for the protection of the town's natural resources.
- Objectives: To manage town owned lands for recreation, wildlife management, water quality, ecological balance, and sustainable timber harvesting.

### **FAC**

The Forest Advisory Committee conducted two timber harvests this year. Off Jackman Ridge Road, small patch cuts were established on 180 acres to promote growth of early successional habitat for the benefit of many species of wildlife. A second cut off the "airstrip" was conducted as a thinning, to remove a majority of vegetation except Pitch Pine. This was done as a preliminary requirement in anticipation of a 20 acre control burn slated for 2015. This burn will promote and maintain a globally rare Pitch Pine forest at this location.

The Town Forest boundary line markings have finally been fully completed by HEB Land Surveyors.

The connector trail to Trout Pond has been upgraded, and the Jackman Ridge Road leading to the pond is scheduled for crowning, grading, and culvert work this season to maintain access to the pond. With the improved access, NH Fish & Game has resumed stocking yearling fish at Trout Pond. However, no gasoline motors are allowed on the pond. Pursuant to the Town's request, and testimony received by the Department of Transportation, as of September, it is now a State rule that gasoline motors are prohibited from use on Trout Pond. Where the pond serves as a benchmark of water quality in the entire northeast, it was felt important to keep it as pristine and pollutant free as it is now. Canoes and electric trolling motors are more than welcome. With an early start, one could watch the sunrise, catch a few trout, and perhaps see a moose grazing pond lilies on the opposite shore.



Volunteers continue to maintain the forest in ongoing clean up details to keep the forest free of litter.

We continue to maintain numerous permanent wildlife openings throughout the forest for the benefit of many wildlife species. We had a report on a group of 40 deer spotted this spring eating clover at one of these openings!

A comprehensive wildlife Habitat Plan composed by BH Keith is nearly completed. This will serve as a guideline now and into the future, towards sustaining wildlife habitat growth within the forest, so that species common to the forest will continue to maintain and flourish for generations to come.

A comprehensive bird study for grouse and turkey will be conducted at the Town Forest this spring, and the FAC is looking for early risers to man listening posts to assist in the bird count.

Many thanks from the FAC to all who have volunteered and supported the Town Forest.

## **FAISC**

Invasive species are becoming a significant challenge throughout the country and New Hampshire has not avoided these unwanted assaults on land and water. FAISC is currently focused on variable milfoil - an aquatic invasive plant that is remarkably virulent. Complete eradication is practically impossible so our plans deal with minimizing current infestations through active management and conducting preventive measures to reduce the risk of new plant colonies.

Human activity is believed to be one the primary mechanisms for the spread of variable milfoil. Therefore, educating all of our water body users to the do's and don'ts of identifying, reporting, and interacting with milfoil is essential to our work. The more trained eyes we have surveying our water bodies the better.

In order to take a more proactive approach to the problem of invasive species, we applied for and received a Lake Host grant, from New Hampshire Lakes Association, that allowed us to conduct boat inspections and provide education to visitors to Lake Ossipee and its bays. Through the support of Kevin Price, owner of Ossipee Lake Marina, and his general manager Tim Cupka, we were able to conduct over 200 boat inspections at this boat launch location. This supplements the Lake Host efforts of the Town of Ossipee.

One of the most enjoyable aspects of our FAISC efforts is being on the lakes and ponds as we:

- Conduct surveys to look for evidence of new infestations and to characterize existing milfoil sites. This compliments surveys done by the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES).
- Work with our contractors as we help them to prioritize their work and ensure support from lake abutters.



- Respond to calls from concerned citizens who think that they may have identified milfoil.

Since the Ossipee Lake system knows no boundaries - water and plants move freely throughout the system - we continue to work closely with the conservation commissions of Effingham and Ossipee to communicate what we are doing as well as to learn from their progress.

Once again in 2013 we took a dual path approach to milfoil control:

- Diver Assisted Suction Harvesting (DASH) with services provided by AB Aquatics
- Herbicide treatment with services provided by Aquatic Control Technologies

DASH efforts began in the June timeframe and continued over a several week period as we worked a number of areas in Middle Danforth, the channel to Upper Danforth, Upper Danforth (a.k.a. Huckins Pond) and near Ossipee Lake Marina. Much to our chagrin, new growth appeared in some of the areas worked by the time that NHDES did its August survey.

In early September we did a herbicide treatment that included twenty acres of Middle Danforth, Upper Danforth, and the channel between Lower and Middle Danforth.

Fortunately, we had applied for and been awarded two state grants for milfoil treatment in 2013 - up to \$5,010 for Herbicide and up to \$5,420 for DASH/hand pulling. Actual milfoil grant monies received equaled \$8,870. Both grants were based on a 40% cost share from the state. In addition, there was \$6,500 set aside for milfoil removal in the 2013 town budget (fully spent). It was also necessary to spend \$5,264 from our milfoil gift account to complete these projects.

Feedback from lake abutters has been positive towards all of this work. A number of residents are again able to use their swimming areas due to the significant reduction of variable milfoil.

Based on fall survey results, NHDES updated our milfoil management plan and proposed work for 2014. We were able to apply for and be awarded a state grant that covered 40% of the cost of 2014 efforts including up to \$7,812 for herbicide and (conditionally) up to \$4,368 for DASH/hand pulling.

#### **FCC/FAC/FAISC COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

FCC: R.A. Oram, Greg Bossart, Rob Hatch, Sue Hoople, Alice Custard, Jim McElroy, Bill Elliott, and Michael Gaudette. Alternate members include Sue Hoople and John Roman.

FAC: Rob Hatch, Chuck Depew, Dave Charrette, Ron Newbury, Janet Johnson, and Janet Myers.

FAISC: Jim McElroy, R.A. Oram, and Bill Elliott.

**TECHNICAL/ADMIN. SUPPORT**

FCC, FAC, and FAISC extend a job well done to the town administrative staff, Karen Hatch, Linda Farinella, Holly Brooks, and Dianne Park who support us with timely and accurate schedules, notes and postings. FCC and FAC extend a thank you for the technical support of the Freedom Town Foresters, Rich Gerard and Barry Keith.

Respectfully submitted,  
R.A. Oram, Chairman FCC  
Robert Hatch, Chairman FAC  
Jim McElroy, Chairman FAISC

**2014 FAC MEETING DATES**

First Wednesday of month at 7:00 pm  
January 1 - Cancelled  
February 5  
March 5  
April 2  
May 7  
June 4  
July 2  
August 6  
September 3  
October 1  
November 5  
December 3

**2014 FCC MEETING DATES**

Third Tuesday of month at 7:00 pm  
January 21  
February 18  
March 18  
April 15  
May 20  
June 17  
July 15  
August 19  
September 16  
October 21  
November 18  
December 16

## HERITAGE COMMISSION

This Commission was established at the March 2009 Town Meeting for the purpose of researching and recording the history of buildings and land features in the Town of Freedom, NH, offering education to the public and responding to the Select Board on their questions regarding these matters. This is done in cooperation with the Historical Society.

The six members, two alternates and Select Board Representative meet at the Library conference room five times a year to report, plan and transact formal business of the Commission. Agenda and approved meeting minutes are available on the Town Web Site and in printed form at the Town Office. The public is always welcome at these meetings and to participate in the activities.

The real work is done by members, associates and friends outside of the meetings. We have a list of projects that will take years to accomplish. During 2013 our efforts were focused on:

- Apply for approval to place the Masonic Lodge and Roller Barn on the State Registry of Historical Places. Town Office was registered and approved in 2011. The Bandstand was approved in 2012. The Roller Barn and Masonic Lodge were approved in 2013.
- Research and an application for the Town Hall is now being worked on and we hope will be approved by Old Home Week 2014.
- In cooperation with the Historical Society our member, Carol Foord conducted a very successful walking tour of "Early Industry" on the Ossipee River from Rt. 153 to the dams. This was an OHW event. We are considering an appropriate event for 2014.
- On 04/17/2013 the Commission organized and participated in a guided tour of the Sanborn Mills Farm in Loudon, NH. This is a restoration project, privately funded to restore the buildings and conduct weeklong training programs for all of the skills required to operate a large farm with flowing water as the power resource. Our group of 23 was given a guided tour by management and a conversation with the farm's owner. There is talk of another such visit in 2014 by the Historical Society.

Members and alternates contributed a total of 1,117 hours to the accomplishment of Commission business in 2013.

Sincerely,

- Alan Fall, Chairperson
- Carol Foord, Vice-Chairperson
- Bob Smart, Secretary/Treasurer
- Bonnie Burroughs, Member
- Gale Morris, Member
- Peg Scully, Member
- Raymond Dahlstrom, Alternate
- Scott Cunningham, Alternate
- Neal Boyle, Select Board Rep

**NOTICE OF MEETINGS**  
**2014**

January 9

April 10

June 12

September 11

November 14

# ROAD AGENT REPORT

## 2013 NOTES:

Mar 6th - Apr 22nd - Weight limit signs posted  
Apr 12th - 22nd - FEMA paperwork/ February 8th storm  
May 25th - Severe winds/ tree across Watson Hill Road  
July 3rd - Temporary fix - Ossipee Lake Road Culvert  
July 15th - Lightning strike - fuel system  
July 17th - 9 p.m. severe lightning - wind storm causing trees across Bennett, Loon Lake, Eaton Roads  
July 22nd - 26th - Cold Brook Road closed/ concrete box culvert replacement  
July 23rd - Very heavy sheet rain storm - causing several road erosions, Cold Brook Road Bypass, Culvert over flow  
Oct 3rd - 25th - One lane traffic - Ossipee Lake Road - replacement with concrete box culvert site  
Nov 23rd - Salting begins  
Nov 25th - Tree clean up with NH DOT (Moulton Road)  
Nov 26th - Plowing begins

## TOWN BENEFITS: Highway Crew

Town Office - Flag pole removal, file cabinet moved, swale construction, and dead tree cut and removal  
Masonic Temple/ Town Office - Area excavation, gravel replacement, fine graded and ready for new pavement  
Village - Snow removal  
Town Hall/ First Christian Church - Access driveway reconstruction  
Loon Lake Boat Ramp - Repaired  
Transfer Station - Driveway improvement, mowing, pine needles piled up with loader  
Garage - Copper fuel lines replaced from tank - furnace  
Ball Field Access Road - Reconstructed  
Ball Field Recreation Courts Fence Line - Tree and brush removal  
Ball Field Water Shut Off - Repaired  
Ball Field Bleachers - Repaired and painted  
Ball Field Buildings - Painted exterior  
Ball Field Cook Shack Roof - Repaired and painted

## IMPROVEMENTS: Highway Crew

New Drainage Structures or Replacement Construction:

- West Bay Intersection - replacement
- Muggett - new drainage structure
- West Bay - new drainage structure

New Drainage or Restoration:

- Huckins Road - swale
- Ossipee Lake Road - ditch lines and turnouts



- West Bay Road - new drainage
- Haverhill Street - ditch line restoration

#### New Culverts or Replacements:

- Haverhill Street - replacement
- Scarboro Road - replacement
- Cold Brook Road - replacement with concrete box
- Ossipee Lake Road - replacement with concrete box and includes:
  - o Allen Block Retaining Wall and Rip Rap Construction

#### Resurfacing Paved Roads:

- York, Old Yankee, Hampshire Roads

#### Traffic Lines, Bike and Stop Bar Symbols Painted:

- Ossipee Lake, Bennett, Shawtown, East Danforth Roads, and Pequawket Trail

#### Rock Removal/ Gravel Replacement:

- Scarboro, Corsen Hill Roads

#### Dead Trees and Brush Cut:

- Freedom Point, Ossipee Lake, Bennett, Watson Hill, Burnham Hill, Swett Hill, Rice Hill, Cold Brook, and Marjorie Point Roads

#### Shoulder Ditch Reshaping and Restoration:

- Ossipee Lake, Moulton, Swett Hill, Rice Hill, Young Hill, Cold Brook, Huckins, North Broad Bay, Hampshire, York, Old Yankee Roads, Pequawket Trail, and Haverhill Street.

#### Garage Building Maintenance: Highway Crew

- Interior Walls and Ceiling - painted
- Lunch Room Floor - painted
- Overhead Door Trim - replaced
- Loading Ramp - deteriorated asphalt removed and replaced with new pavement

#### New Purchases and Installations: Highway Crew

- Gate - garage entrance
- Signs - street, warning and speed limit (52)

#### Equipment Repairs and Maintenance: Highway Crew

- 580 Backhoe- all hoses replaced
- 580 Backhoe Bucket linkage - repaired
- Old Grader - oil leak repaired
- Billy Goat - repaired

- Water Tank - pipe fitting repairs
- Old Fire Truck - air operator valve repaired
- One Ton Truck Exhaust - repaired
- Gravel Shoulder Machine - broken conveyer chain repaired and plumbed to the new grader
- 924 Loader Bucket and Linkage - prep, primed, and painted
- All Plows/ Wings - prep, primed, and painted
- 2011 F-550 Frame - prep, prime and painted
- One Ton Dump Body and Frame- rust removal and painted
- 2003 International AWD Truck - water pump repair
- 2013 International AWD Truck - new side boards built

#### Equipment Repairs:

- 924 Loader - new switch and computer cleared (Milton CAT)
- Gas Boy System - computer software series 900 CPU board replaced (GAFTEK)

#### New Fabrications: Highway Crew

- Plow Gusset ( 2011 F-550)
- Mold Board End Bit (2013 Cat Grader)

#### New Equipment:

- 2014 CAT 140M Grader
- 2013 International AWD Truck (Delivery 11/7/13)
- 2-Way Radios
- Surveillance Cameras

#### Equipment Rentals:

- 85D, 325, 315, M316, 336 Excavators, 950 Loader, Lee Boy Grader, Vibratory Roller, Portable Traffic Lights, Crane, Pavement Saw, Steel Road Plates, Compactors, Generator, Dewatering pumps, and Sweeper.

#### Equipment Borrowed:

- Lasers, Total Station, Jersey Barriers, Traffic Signs, Cones, Barrels, and Plastic Rolls

I especially thank my highway crew for all of their efforts, hard work, and cooperative dedication in the maintenance of our roads and properties and to all who contribute and support our successful town growth. Thank you.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott N. Brooks Sr.  
Road Agent

## FREEDOM OLD HOME WEEK

This year was the 115th celebration of Freedom Old Home Week, from August 2-11. The theme was "Experience Freedom" suggesting several activities one could enjoy in Freedom such as sail, hike, swim, dream, freedom..... The T-shirt was designed by local artist Ian H. Marshall. Rubber Ducky Day, our main fundraising event kicked off the season on June 29th. The weather was overcast with early rains; however, it barely intimidated the spirit of the day and about 1100 tickets were sold. There was lots of food prepared by the Masons, FOHW merchandise, kids games, hay wagon rides, and the return of our very own recently restored vintage fire truck. Mr. Ducky was seen about town creating anticipation for the final event of the day.... the Big Race over the falls. Big thank you to Mr. Ducky and all the volunteers for duck launching, duck wrangling, tent setup and take down. Three lucky winners received their cash prizes.

The Friday night Lawn Party kicked off the week's activities with the Codfish Aristocracy Band. A new event at the Lawn Party was the introduction of The Grand Marshall for the parade. This year it was Robin Sargent. The parade was hailed as outstanding this year with numerous floats, marchers and several bands. A new popular band was the William Diamond Junior Fife and Drum group.

We would like to thank the dedicated committee members and many volunteers for the numerous tasks they performed, assigned and unassigned, throughout the year from December through August. Gail Bizer (parade flag bearers), Ann Marie Knox and Kelly Taylor (children's games); Howie and Sylvia Bouve (duck race, lawn party); Sylvia Carney and Lauren Stoddard (floats, bands, land sports, water sports, publicity); Anne Cunningham (bingo, secretary); Bill Elliott (rubber ducky day, ice cream social); Maureen Elliot (parade judges); Tim Kennedy and FVS (food concessions); Dick Many (lawn party); Janet Meyers (organizing parade marchers, treasurer); Jennifer Molin (lawn party); Paul Tung and Brian Taylor (boat race), Terry and Wendell Packard (merchandise); Kim Reis (webmaster); Lynn and Marcia Santner (boat race, parade); John Shipman (Historical Society); Bob Smart (church activities); Dan Spear (canoe/kayak regatta, bike sale); Arlene Knight (boat race); Ellie and Emery Stokes (always good advice).

Michael Gaudette (setup/take down transport), Pam Keith (talent night); Justin Brooks and crew (lobster dinner); Firemen's Auxiliary (boat race concession); Alice Peterson, Dean and Judy Robertson (craft fair); John & Stephanie Krebs (5K road race); Cindy Sawyer (tennis tournament); Trisha Dolan, Wendy Barrett-Manhard, Helen C. Probert (ping pong), Pastor Larry Wogman (Blessing of the Animals); Conservation Committee (Town Forest events); Rick Gleason (hikes); Elizabeth Rhymer (library events); Carol Foord (historic walk), the Masons (food concessions & ice cream social), Neal Boyle (fishing derby).

We would also like to thank Mary Hockmeyer (barn events), Freedom Water Precinct (storage); Dick Goff (lawn party bartending); Patrick Miele and John

Immediato (good neighbors); Camp Huckins (water sports); Camp Calumet (land sports, 5K); and the following for general help whenever needed: John and Mary Ann Hogan, Art Robinson, Charlie Peterson, Tom Luke, Carol McIntyre, Donna Tung, Ray Hemphill, Maynard Thomson, Wayne Marshall.

We would like to thank the town for their financial support and all the local sponsors who support our programs. And thanks to all volunteers, property owners, police and fire departments, town officials and Freedom citizens who made this event such a success, but more importantly, fun for all ages through the generations.

Watch our website ([www.freedomoldhomeweek.org](http://www.freedomoldhomeweek.org)) for the 2014 activities scheduled for August 1-10 with Rubber Ducky Day on Saturday, June 28.

Respectfully submitted,  
Susan M. Marks, Chair  
Freedom Old Home Week Committee 2013

Susan Marks (Chair), Lauren Stoddard (Vice-Chair), Anne Cunningham (Secretary), Janet Meyers (Treasurer), Gail Bizer, Howard Bouve, Sylvia Carney, Bill Elliott, Lucy Kendall, Arlene Knight, Dick Many, Carol McIntyre, Kim Reis, Judy Robertson, Marcia and Lynn Santner, John Shipman, Bob Smart, Dan Spear, Ellie and Emery Stokes

# OSSIPEE LAKE DAM AUTHORITY'S REPORT

The following is a report of the expense of the Dam Authority for the year 2013. Figures for the split between the two towns are based on the assessed equalized value of the two towns. These figures are furnished by the State of New Hampshire, D.R.A.

<b>Sum Required By DES</b>	<b>\$30,000.00</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>	<b>\$14,939.20</b>

Equalization Assessment Value

<b>Ossipee</b>	<b>677,176,068.00</b>	<b>60% of \$14,939.20</b>	<b>= \$8,963.52</b>
<b>Freedom</b>	<b>451,151,614.00</b>	<b>40% of \$14,939.20</b>	<b>= \$5,975.68</b>

These figures are revised each and every year, in order to bring the deficit of the past year up to \$30,000.00, the beginning balance of the coming year.

The following is a report of expenses for the Dam Authority for the year 2013.

<b>Postmaster</b>	<b>\$53.20</b>
<b>Fairpoint</b>	<b>456.00</b>
<b>PSNH</b>	<b>192.00</b>
<b>John Picard/Chairman (salary)</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>
<b>Robert Houle/Tres./Sec. (salary)</b>	<b>500.00</b>
<b>Snow Removal</b>	<b>400.00</b>
<b>DES Bearcamp Gauge</b>	<b>8,338.00</b>
<b>Expense</b>	<b>\$14,939.20</b>

Respectfully Submitted,  
Robert F. Houle  
Secretary/Treasurer



REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS  
TOWN OF FREEDOM, NH  
December 31, 2013

DATE	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE	HOW INVESTED	[ BALANCE ]		PRINCIPAL		BALANCE END OF YEAR	CURRENT YEAR INCOME	INCOME		BALANCE ]		TOTAL NEW PRINCIPAL
				START OF YEAR	NEW FUNDS	EXPENDED DURING YEAR	EXPENDED DURING YEAR			ADDED TO PRIN				
COMMON TRUST:														
1919	Nancy Skillings	Cem P/C	CD	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
1919	Nancy Burns	All	All	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	1.40	1.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00
1922	Lord & Fowler			200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	1.40	1.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00
1922	Eliza A Alley			100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
1924	Ina E Foss			100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
1924	Metcalf & Cushing			100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
1924	M C & Stephen Allard			150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	1.05	1.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	150.00
1924	Edward H Nason			210.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	210.00	1.47	1.47	0.00	0.00	0.00	210.00
1925	A R & Lilla Bennett			100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
1927	F W Towle			500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	3.50	3.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00
1927	Parsons Yard			700.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	700.00	4.90	4.90	0.00	0.00	0.00	700.00
1927	J C Libby & V H Connors Lots			500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	3.50	3.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00
1928	John W Smith			100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
1928	Jennie Meserve			100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
1932	James Wood			100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
1935	George W Chase			100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
1937	Joseph H Corson			50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.00	0.35	0.35	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.00
1937	Hulda J Downing			200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	1.40	1.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00
1938	Godfrey Fund			100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
1939	Frank P Corson			100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
1939	Lavinia F Farnsworth			100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
1939	Howard B Moulton			100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
1940	Ellen Mitchel			100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
1941	Stevens,Sweetser,Marston,Harmon			450.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	450.00	3.15	3.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	450.00
TOTAL				4,560.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,560.00	31.91	31.91	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,560.00



**REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS  
TOWN OF FREEDOM, NH  
December 31, 2013**

DATE	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE	HOW INVESTED	BALANCE START OF YEAR	PRINCIPAL		CURRENT YEAR INCOME	INCOME EXPENDED DURING YEAR	BALANCE ADDED TO PRIN	TOTAL NEW PRINCIPAL
					NEW FUNDS	EXPENDED DURING YEAR				
COMMON TRUST:										
1943	Jessie Drew	Cem P/C	CD	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.00	100.00
1948	Jessie S Allard	All	All	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.00	100.00
1952	Minnie R Towle			112.00	0.00	0.00	112.00	0.78	0.00	112.00
1952	John J Giles			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.00	100.00
1953	Carrie B Moses			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.00	100.00
1957	Minnie A Eastman			200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	1.40	0.00	200.00
1957	F M Meloon & J M Parsons			200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	1.40	0.00	200.00
1958	Elsie M Thurston			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.00	100.00
1958	Ernest A Leavitt			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.00	100.00
1958	Kezar Cemetery Fund			200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	1.40	0.00	200.00
1958	Moulton Cemetery			200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	1.40	0.00	200.00
1959	George & Alfreda Hayes			200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	1.40	0.00	200.00
1960	Chester H Drake			500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	3.50	0.00	500.00
1963	Emelle P Holmgren			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.00	100.00
1963	Charles H Watts			450.00	0.00	0.00	450.00	3.15	0.00	450.00
1963	Nelson C Works			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.00	100.00
1965	Giles Lot - Swetts Hill			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.00	100.00
1965	Cutting Lot			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.00	100.00
1965	Andrews Lot			200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	1.40	0.00	200.00
1966	Lord Cemetery			2,000.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00	14.00	0.00	2,000.00
1966	Florence Seymore			500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	3.50	0.00	500.00
1968	John Works			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.00	100.00
1968	John C & Marie Lee			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.00	100.00
1968	Jesse Nason & Beck Lot			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.00	100.00
TOTAL				10,622.00	0.00	0.00	10,622.00	74.34	0.00	10,622.00

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TOWN OF FREEDOM, NH  
December 31, 2013

DATE	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE	HOW INVESTED	BALANCE START OF YEAR	PRINCIPAL		BALANCE END OF YEAR	CURRENT YEAR INCOME	INCOME		BALANCE ] ADDED TO ]	TOTAL NEW PRINCIPAL
					NEW FUNDS	EXPENDED DURING YEAR			EXPENDED DURING YEAR	YEAR		
COMMON TRUST:												
1969	Albert Phinney	Cem P/C	CD	150.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	1.05	1.05	0.00	0.00	150.00
1969	Drake Lot	All	All	300.00	0.00	0.00	300.00	2.10	2.10	0.00	0.00	300.00
1972	Lord Lot			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.70	0.00	0.00	100.00
1973	B F Allard & J Durgin			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.70	0.00	0.00	100.00
1976	Charles Bryant Lot			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.70	0.00	0.00	100.00
1977	David Smith Lot			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.70	0.00	0.00	100.00
1977	Albion & Alonzo Pease Lot			200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	1.40	1.40	0.00	0.00	200.00
1982	Winston V & Margaret Morrow			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.70	0.00	0.00	100.00
1982	Stephen & Elmira Danforth			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.70	0.00	0.00	100.00
1987	Ernest & Rachel Mulvery			200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	1.40	1.40	0.00	0.00	200.00
1988	Gordon D Stokes			800.00	0.00	0.00	800.00	5.60	5.60	0.00	0.00	800.00
1988	Pauline Sargent Rounds			200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	1.40	1.40	0.00	0.00	200.00
1988	Abe Sargent			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.70	0.00	0.00	100.00
1988	Frederick & Elisabeth Towle			300.00	0.00	0.00	300.00	2.10	2.10	0.00	0.00	300.00
1988	Mary S Morrison			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.70	0.00	0.00	100.00
1989	Charles & Mary H Stewart			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.70	0.00	0.00	100.00
1989	William A & Sally Sloops			100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.70	0.00	0.00	100.00
1989	David Sargent			40.00	0.00	0.00	40.00	0.28	0.28	0.00	0.00	40.00
1999	Town Cemetery Fund			1,841.00	0.00	0.00	1,841.00	12.88	12.88	0.00	0.00	1,841.00
TOTAL CEMETERY FUNDS				[ 15,653.00	0.00	0.00	15,653.00	109.55	109.55	0.00	0.00	15,653.00
1938	Belinda C Wood	Library	CD	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	7.01	7.01	0.00	0.00	1,000.00
1985	Ernest Myrick	Library	CD	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.70	0.70	0.00	0.00	100.00
TOTAL LIBRARY FUNDS				[ 1,100.00	0.00	0.00	1,100.00	7.71	7.71	0.00	0.00	1,100.00
TOTAL COMMON TRUST FUNDS				[ 16,753.00	0.00	0.00	16,753.00	117.26	117.26	0.00	0.00	16,753.00

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS  
TOWN OF FREEDOM, NH  
December 31, 2013

DATE	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE	HOW INVESTED	BALANCE START OF YEAR	PRINCIPAL		BALANCE END OF YEAR	CURRENT YEAR INCOME	INCOME EXPENDED DURING YEAR	INCOME ADDED TO PRIN	TOTAL NEW PRINCIPAL
					NEW FUNDS	EXPENDED DURING YEAR					
GENERAL FUNDS:											
Expendable Trust Funds:											
2001	School District	Spec Ed	CD	[ 42,339.49	20,000.00	0.00	62,339.49 ]	413.50	0.00	413.50 ]	62,752.99
2002	Town	Road Right of Way	CD	[ 11,562.05	0.00	5,720.00	5,842.05 ]	77.65	0.00	77.65 ]	5,919.70
2006	Town	Removal of Millfoil	CD	[ 7,481.27	0.00	0.00	7,481.27 ]	52.38	0.00	52.38 ]	7,533.65
2009	Public Library	Maint Bldg & Equip	CD	[ 10,128.69	475.00	0.00	10,603.69 ]	71.18	0.00	71.18 ]	10,674.87
2011	Police Dept	Equip	CD	[ 20,163.94	0.00	15,000.00	5,163.94 ]	59.55	0.00	59.55 ]	5,223.49
2011	Town Hall & Town Office	Maint	CD	[ 10,043.84	10,000.00	0.00	20,043.84 ]	76.07	0.00	76.07 ]	20,119.91
	TOTAL GENERAL FUNDS		[	101,719.28	30,475.00	20,720.00	111,474.28 ]	750.33	0.00	750.33	112,224.61
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS:											
1996	School District	Bus	CD	[ 48,477.02	20,000.00	0.00	68,477.02 ]	456.47	0.00	456.47 ]	68,933.49
1996	Highway Department	Equip	CD	[ 90,378.24	30,000.00	60,000.00	60,378.24 ]	438.92	0.00	438.92 ]	60,817.16
2002	Fire Department	Equip	CD	[ 33,743.24	0.00	4,000.00	29,743.24 ]	233.94	0.00	233.94 ]	29,977.18
2006	Town	New Municipal Bldg & Land	CD	[ 31,201.64	12,000.00	0.00	43,201.64 ]	225.33	0.00	225.33 ]	43,426.97
2007	Transfer Station	Equip	CD	[ 15,487.45	0.00	0.00	15,487.45 ]	108.44	0.00	108.44 ]	15,595.89
2009	School District	Boiler	CD	[ 28,652.18	7,000.00	0.00	35,652.18	241.57	0.00	241.57	35,893.75
2012	Highway Department	Drainage	CD	[ 10,005.70	0.00	0.00	10,005.70	70.05	0.00	70.05	10,075.75
	TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVES		[	257,945.47	69,000.00	64,000.00	262,945.47 #	1,774.72	0.00	1,774.72	264,720.19
	TOTAL ALL TRUST FUNDS		[	376,417.75	99,475.00	84,720.00	391,172.75 ]	2,642.31	117.26	2,525.05 ]	393,697.80

REPORT OF THE COMMON TRUST FUNDS  
TOWN OF FREEDOM, NH  
December 31, 2013

DESCRIPTION OF INVESTMENT	PURPOSE	HOW INVESTED	BALANCE START OF YEAR	PRINCIPAL		GAINS OR (LOSSES)	BALANCE END OF YEAR	CURRENT YEAR INCOME	INCOME EXPENDED DURING YEAR	BALANCE ADDED TO PRIN	TOTAL NEW PRINCIPAL
				NEW FUNDS							
TD Bank	Cem P/C	CD	15,653.00	0.00		0.00	15,653.00	109.55	109.55	0.00	15,653.00
TD Bank	Library	CD	1,100.00	0.00		0.00	1,100.00	7.71	7.71	0.00	1,100.00
TOTALS			16,753.00	0.00		0.00	16,753.00	117.26	117.26	0.00	16,753.00

# BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF FREEDOM

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2013

<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Name of Child</u>	<u>Name of Father/Partner</u>	<u>Name of Mother</u>	<u>Place of Birth</u>
11-19-13	Kennard, Nolanna Ivy		Eldridge, Audrianna	N. Conway
			Respectfully submitted, A.Elizabeth Priebe, Town Clerk	



# DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF FREEDOM

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2013

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name of Deceased	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name
04-03-13	Freedom	Farrell, William	Farrell, William	Morse, Alma
05-02-13	Freedom	Hampton, Levis	Hampton, Joe	Hopper, Pearl
05-03-13	Laconia	Armstrong, Henry Jr.	Armstrong, Henry	Waters, Mary
05-05-13	Warner	Miksch, Alice	Coleman, Arthur	Sargent, Alice
06-06-13	Salem	Godek, Walter	Godek, Joseph	Pawlik, Mary
06-26-13	Ossipee	Catania, Helen	Catania, John	Lomasney, Helen
08-28-13	Freedom	Zecher, Frederick	Zecher, Emil	Bauer, Jeanne
09-23-13	Wolfeboro	Roberts, Donald	Roberts, Donald	Poitrass, Dorothy
09-29-13	N Conway	McConkey, Ruth	Rice, William	Hatwood, Alzora
10-23-13	N Conway	Clark, Susan	Hayes, Kenneth	Ashe, Helen
11-09-13	Dover	Scott, Christine	Jakubec, Dale	Keif, Mary
12-02-13	N Conway	McIntire, William Sr.	McIntire, Ralph	Belcher, Ruth

Respectfully submitted,  
A. Elizabeth Priebe, Town Clerk

# MARRIAGES REGISTERED THE TOWN OF FREEDOM

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2013

<b>Date of Marriage</b>	<b>Name and Surname of Person A and Person B</b>	<b>Residence at time of marriage</b>
02-10-13	Palmer, Paul Eric Palmer, Wendy Sue	Freedom Freedom
04-27-13	Libby, Kyle R Tellier, Sarah A	Freedom Meredith
05-26-13	Fagen, Ariel Brooke Sperling, Joshua Benlavi	Denver, CO Denver, CO
06-17-13	Allen, Devin Shawn Scripture, Lori Marie	Denmark, ME Freedom
06-29-13	Ward, Eric J Dame, Michelle M	Freedom Freedom
08-23-13	Miele, Patrick J. Immediato, John A.	Freedom Hastings-on-Hudson, NY
09-28-13	Schenker, Lindsay Marie Hull-Nye, Justin Thomas	Oakland, CA Oakland, CA
09-28-13	Mears, Cortney Ann Hannant, Joshua Kalon	Bridgeport, CT Bridgeport, CT
12-23-13	Tyler, Kellie A Harris, Dennis J	Ansonia, CT Freedom
		Respectfully submitted, A. Elizabeth Priebe, Town Clerk

## **NOTICE**

**If you own real estate lots that were involuntarily merged by municipal action, you may be able to have those lots restored to their pre-merger status.**

Your property may qualify if two or more lots were merged for zoning, assessing, or taxation purposes and the merger occurred:

- During your ownership, without your consent; or
- Prior to your ownership, if no previous owner consented to the merger.

To restore your property to pre-merger status, you must:

- Make a request to the local governing body
- No later than December 31, 2016

Once restored:

- Your properties will once again become separate lots; however, they must still conform to applicable land use ordinances. Restoration does not cure non-conformity.

*This notice must be:*

- *Posted continuously in a public place from January 1, 2012 until December 31, 2016, and*
- *Published in the 2011 through 2015 Annual Report.*

*Read the full statute at [RSA 674:39-aa Restoration of Involuntary Merged Lots](#)*

# **TOWN OF FREEDOM**

## **REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENT**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Board or Committee of interest?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Resident: Yes/No (circle one)**     **Registered Voter: Yes/No(circle one)**

**How long have you lived in Freedom?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Are you able to attend monthly meetings?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Have you served on any commissions or boards?** \_\_\_\_\_

**If so, which ones?** \_\_\_\_\_

**If not, what is your background or experience pertaining to this board or committee?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Are you willing to attend classes and/or seminars to educate yourself about laws and procedures for the desired position?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Current clubs or organizations you are affiliated with:** \_\_\_\_\_

**In your own words, why do you want to serve on this board or committee and what can you contribute?** \_\_\_\_\_

(Please use back or additional sheet, if necessary)

**SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return this form to the Freedom Town Office or mail to:**

**Freedom Board of Selectmen**

**PO Box 227 Freedom, NH 03836**



### **SELECTMEN**

Neal Boyle, Chairman

Leslie Babb

Ernest Day, Jr.

#### **Hours:**

Monday 6:30 pm

Telephone: 539-6323

### **TOWN OFFICE HOURS**

Monday thru Thurs 8am to 3pm

Telephone: 539-6323

### **TOWN CLERK**

A. Elizabeth Priebe

#### **Office Hours:**

Monday Evenings 6:30 to 8pm

Tuesday 12 noon to 8pm

Wednesday 9am to 3pm & 6:30 to 8pm

Saturday: 9am to 12 noon

Telephone: 539-8269

### **TAX COLLECTOR**

Annette Babb

#### **Office Hours:** Dec-Mar

Monday 11am - 1pm

Wednesday 1pm - 3pm

Saturday 9am - 12pm

Telephone: 539-5572

### **ZONING OFFICER**

Ned Hatfield

#### **Office Hours:**

Thursday 9am - 2pm

Telephone 539-6323

### **BUILDING CODE OFFICER**

Robert Babine

#### **Office Hours:**

Thursday 9am - 2pm

Telephone: 539-6323

### **TOWN OFFICE HOLIDAY CLOSINGS**

Memorial Day 05/26/2014

Labor Day 09/01/14

Columbus Day 10/13/14

Veteran's Day 11/11/14

Thanksgiving Day 11/27/14

Christmas Eve 12/24/14

Christmas Day 12/25/14

New Year's 01/01/15

Civil Rights Day 01/19/15

Presidents Day 02/16/15

### **TOWN CLERK'S HOLIDAY & ELECTION DAY CLOSINGS**

Town Meeting 03/11/14

Memorial Day 05/26/14

Old Home Day 08/02/14

Labor Day 09/01/14

State Primary Election 09/09/14

Columbus Day 10/13/14

General Election 11/04/14

Veteran's Day 11/11/14

Christmas Eve Day 12/24/14

New Year's Eve Day 12/31/14

Civil Rights Day 01/19/15

President's Day 02/16/15

Town Meeting 03/10/15

### **TRANSFER/RECYCLING FACILITY**

#### *Winter Hours:*

*Begins Labor Day Week*

Tues. & Sat. 8 am to 4pm

Sunday 9am to 4pm

#### *Summer Hours:*

*Begins Memorial Day Weekend*

Tues., Thurs., Sat. & Sunday

8am to 5pm

Telephone: 539-5364

*Meeting times and office hours  
are subject to change.*

